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Traffic fears sparked by quarry near Abingdon



Extravaganza kicks off Christmas with a bang

ABINGDON'S Christmas displays in Market Place. Extravaganza kicked off the festive season with spectacular firework and fire-dancing

before Abingdon's Christmas lights were turned on at 5.30pm.

See page 3 for full story.

• Father Christmas joined the parade in his sleigh for the Christmas Extravaganza (photo by Java and Co Abingdon)

NEWS that around 40 per cent of trucks from a planned quarry just outside Abingdon would travel through the town has sparked fears about if roads can cope with the traffic.

Fullamoor Quarry would be dug south of the A415 opposite Culham Science Park, and run across fields alongside the River Thames.

Around 140 people attended a public exhibition at the Abingdon Vale Cricket Club off Culham Road last Wednesday.

Residents learnt up to four 20-tonne trucks could travel through Abingdon to and from the site every hour.

The chairman of Bachport campaign group, Ian Mason, warned Abingdon is only beginning to

realise the impact it could have.

Bachport (Burcot & Clifton Hampden for the Protection of the River Thames) was set up in opposition to the plans.

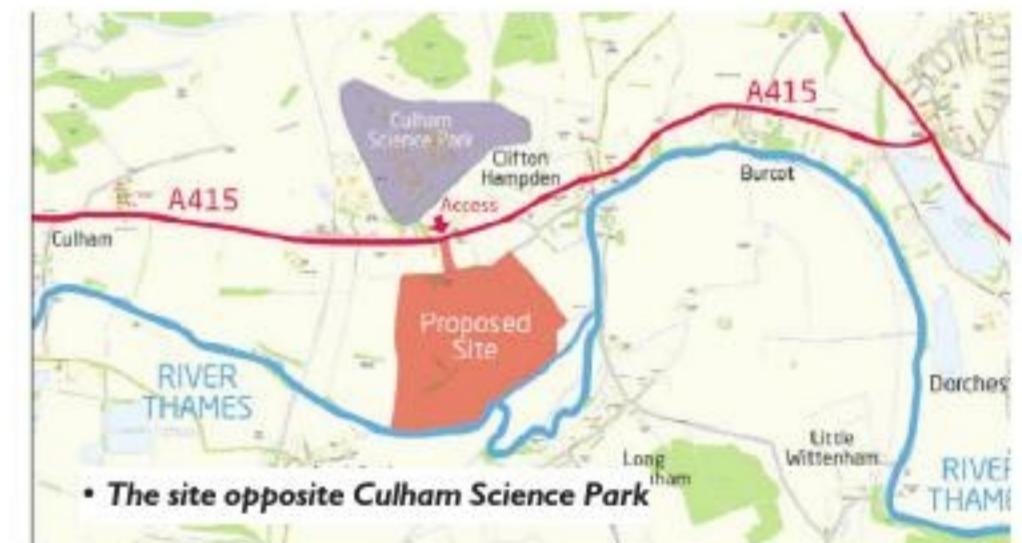
Mr Mason said: "I think Abingdon needs to wake up to what it's going to mean for them."

"The impact on Abingdon is going to be very high."

"It's not necessarily about the number of lorries. It's about the size."

Mr Mason, who lives in Clifton Hampden, said: "The traffic around here is already terrible and this is going to make it much worse."

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Primark to stay in Oxford city centre

JOBS are saved after Primark announced they have found an interim store in Oxford to use between the closure of their existing store and their new store opening as part of the Westgate redevelopment.

Oxford's Westgate Shopping

By Loughlan Campbell

Centre is in the process of a £440 million renovation.

The centre is partly shutting at the end of January and fully closing in spring.

Primark, whose store in the

shopping centre is set to close on February 13 next year, has now found a temporary store on Queen Street, where they will remain until their new, bigger store opens with the rest of the new shopping centre in November 2017.

A Primark spokesperson said: "Primark has endeavoured to find an interim solution and is pleased to advise that it has secured a small temporary store on the high street which will open at the start of February."

"The temporary store, which will mainly offer a selection of men's and women's products, will trade until the new Primark store opens in the redeveloped shopping centre."

Primark is Westgate's biggest shop, employing 193 staff and the Dublin-based clothes retailer are still finalising how many staff will be in the interim store.

In October this year, the Guardian reported that Primark had been unsuccessful in their search for a new store and that staff had been offered the chance to apply for 201 roles at their Banbury store, which opened last month.

City council leader Bob Price, said: "This is great news and clearly shows that we have a

vibrant shopping experience here in Oxford and that they're trying hard to keep their business afloat in the city.

"It makes sense for them to continue their custom and it also shows the impact that Primark has had for customers here in Oxford."

Professor Jonathan Reynolds of the University of Oxford, who specialises in retail marketing, said: "This shows the resolve of Primark to keep the continuity of their custom with Oxford shoppers."

"However I don't know if it will do them a great deal of good in the long run as there are big concerns about the business trade in the city due to the constant roadworks and the shift to online shopping."

More than 100 new shops and 25 restaurants – including a Curzon Cinema – will be part of the new development in Oxpens Road.

A two-storey underground car park with between 900 and 1,100 spaces is in the process of being built, with the previous car park having been demolished in February this year.



• The store on Queen Street that Primark is set to move into

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Shooting arrests

ABINGDON: Two more men have been arrested as part of the investigation into the murder of Kerry Reeves in Abingdon last month.

A 45-year-old man from Harrow was arrested last Tuesday on suspicion of assisting an offender, while a 33-year-old man from Oxford was arrested last Wednesday for the same offence and for encouraging/assisting in the commission of murder believing it will be committed.

Both men have been released on bail until December 28.

It comes after Miss Reeves, 26, was shot at a house in Thornhill Walk, off Northcourt Road, at around 8.20pm on November 3.

She died from her injuries in hospital two days later.

Two men – Billy Johnson, 20, from Ripon Court in Corby, and Charles Noble, 20, from Kempton Avenue in Ealing – were charged with murder on November 11, and are due to appear at Oxford Crown Court on February 8.

Senior investigating officer Det Ch Insp Mike Lynch of the Major Crime Unit said: "I would urge anyone who has specific information about the weapon used in Kerry's murder to contact police immediately."

"It is vital that we recover the weapon to aid our investigation and to safeguard the public."



Dr's charity boxing bout

A DIDCOT-BASED doctor and dad-of-two will be stepping into the ring this Saturday to raise money for a mental health charity.

Psychiatrist Andrew Molodynski, 42, who lives in Wantage and works in Didcot, will pull no punches at South Moreton Boxing Club while raising money for Oxfordshire charity Restore.

Dr Molodynski has received the backing of Prime Minister David Cameron who donated a signed bottle of port that will be raffled off to raise cash.

The doctor who works at Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, said: "Doctors are generally opposed to boxing because of the injuries it can cause."

"I decided to do something to get people to realise that mental health affects us all."

"The stigma around these conditions is enormous."

Dr Molodynski, who has

been an amateur boxer for around five years, will be taking on Gary Summerfield at the event which will feature nine other fights.

Chief executive of Oxford-based Restore, Martin Realey, said: "Andrew has been actively involved in our Didcot-based Fleet Meadow Recovery Group and has seen the benefits social activities can have on people's mental health."

"Boxing is a sport where no-one can hide – it's not like a team game where you can rely on the strength and support of others when you are struggling."

Restore provide rehabilitation, employment and training support for people suffering schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, depression and anxiety.

The fight will take place at South Moreton Boxing Club in Hall Farm with doors opening at 6.30pm.

All day extravaganza kicks off Christmas

CHRISTMAS spirits would not be dampened by the rain at this year's Abingdon Christmas Extravaganza on Saturday.

Celebrations to launch the countdown to Christmas kicked off with a parade led by Oxford Caledonian Pipes and Drums, joined by Father Christmas and Abingdon Traditional Morris Dancers.

Stalls lined Bath Street throughout the day before a Christmas light switch-on ceremony, in Market Place at 5.30pm.

The extravaganza is organised by the Abingdon Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber of Commerce organiser Jill Carver, who owns Added

By Alexander Ballinger

Ingredients fine food store in Stert Street, said: "The rain didn't help but I think organisationally it went very well."

"The highlights were the fire-

"The highlights were the fireworks and fire performers"

works and the fire performers.

"The light switch-on was loved by those that came."

This year the lights were switched on by children who won a marmalade sandwich treasure

hunt around the town.

Ms Carver added: "It was a really great thing for them to do."

Fire jugglers gathered in Market Place for a spectacular display before the official switch-on.

An impressive fireworks display followed leaving crowds in awe.

Abingdon Town Council leader Sandy Lovatt said: "There was a good atmosphere and a good feel."

"Now the Chamber of Commerce hold the extravaganza all day it really brings people into the town."

"I thought it was a good occasion."

Extravaganza-goers took to

Twitter to share their thoughts.

Ellie Wilding said: "Lovely fireworks over Abingdon at the Christmas light switch-on."

The Nail and Beauty Lounge in Market Place said: "We love the fireworks at Abingdon Christmas Extravaganza."

"We think we maybe have had one of the best views in Abingdon."

Parking was also free in all Vale of White Horse District Council run car parks in the town with the hopes of drawing in even more visitors.

The chamber has already announced who will be switching on the lights next year: S Club 7 members Tina Barrett, Jo O'Meara and Bradley McIntosh.



• Oxford Caledonian pipes and drums



• Abingdon's fireworks (photos by Java and Co Abingdon)

Quarry plans prove divisive

From front page

Feedback from the exhibition is due to shape a planning application expected to be submitted to Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) next year.

Swindon-based Hills Quarry Products would run the quarry, which aims to extract 2.5m tonnes of sand and gravel over 10 years.

But the leader of Abingdon Town Council, Sandy Lovatt, said: "I'm not sure trucks will come through Abingdon. Why would they? They're more likely to go the other direction, away from Abingdon."

"But even if they do, I don't know what we can do. The quarry is part of the county council's mineral plan."

The site is earmarked by OCC in its 'Minerals and Waste Local Plan' as a quarry site.

Group director for Hills, Peter Andrew, said: "As part of our pre-application process Hills has conducted a full independ-

ent transport assessment and consulted with the local highway authority.

"Our assessments show the proposed levels of traffic from the development will represent less than a one per cent increase in total traffic in local highways.

"Hills anticipate our vehicles will replace existing HGVs on the road that are delivering quarry products into the local area.

"Hills uses a transport logistics system to help out vehicles avoid peak traffic times or periods of congestion."

OCC spokesperson Emily Reed said: "We have not received a planning application for this development and so the potential impacts and potential mitigation measures are yet to be assessed.

"However, when the application is formally submitted, it will be publicised and consulted on."

A public consultation on the proposal is open until December 18 and can be accessed via fulhamquarry.co.uk

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Lights approved

ABINGDON: Plans to install seven more floodlights and build javelin, discus and shot-put areas in a new sports field at an Abingdon park were approved last Wednesday despite objections about light pollution from neighbours.

A planning application for throwing facilities and lights at Tilsley Park Leisure Centre in Dunmore Road was submitted in May.

The decision was made on Wednesday at a planning committee meeting in The Beacon in Portway, Wantage.

Best for recycling

ABINGDON: The town's district council has been named the second best for recycling in the country, it was announced on Tuesday.

Vale of White Horse District Council's 65.6 per cent recycling rate placed the authority second behind neighbours, South Oxfordshire District Council with 67.3 per cent, according to official Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs figures.

Christmas crafts

ABINGDON: The town's annual Christmas Crafts Market will be held in Market Place on Saturday with an array of handmade products.

Craftworkers from the area will display pottery, ceramics, wooden goods and hand sewn cushions at the market running from 9am to 3pm.

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Wantage school takes top prizes in public speaking competition

KING Alfred's Academy in Wantage took home top prizes for the third year in a row at the annual Rotary International Youth Speaks competition last month.

The event on Wednesday, November 18, at King Alfred's sixth form centre in Portway, pitted the academy against Faringdon Community College.

Four teams from the Academy took part.

English teacher and coach Kate Wigley said: "The students across all the teams were a very enthusiastic group and a pleasure to work with.

"All the teams did well. It's all really good experience."

Students delivered presen-



• (From left) Maddie, Hannah, and Clare

tations in front of an audience of their parents and teachers while facing the daunting prospect of a panel of judges.

Presentations were judged on the speaker's ability to present and develop a topic.

The winning intermediate age group (11 to 13 year olds) were Lily Bunting, Lauren Stevenson and Rebecca Spiers with their topic of 'a Green 2016'.

Also taking home a trophy were the senior team (14 to 17 year olds) made up of Hannah Hayward, Maddie Lewis-Hughes and Clare St George with the topic of 'Mental Health Matters'.

The winners will compete in the district finals in February.



• (From left) Rebecca, Lily, and Lauren

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Free parking to stay say council

A COUNCIL boss has pledged to keep free parking in Vale of White Horse despite warnings from officers that a parking deficit of £700,000 could build up by 2019.

Officers at South Oxfordshire (SODC) and neighbouring Vale of White Horse District Councils warned if parking charges are not increased deficits could rise to £134,000 for SODC and £70,000 for Vale.

Vale of White Horse District Council leader Matthew Barber said Vale would not increase parking fees, while South Oxfordshire District Council's leader John Cotton said there may be a 'modest increase' to combat any deficit.

SODC and Vale councils are both set to review their parking policies today and tomorrow respectively.

Mr Barber, said: "We won't be increasing the parking fees.

By Alex Ballinger

"Council officers recommend options every year to increase the parking fees. We look at it as 'we're providing a service to people'."

Councillor Barber added that the council would accept any estimated increase in parking deficits.

In a report published by Vale council last week ahead of the cabinet meeting on Friday, council officer John Backley said: "If considering just the income and the running costs, then the service showed a small surplus income of £32,206.

"However, taking into account other costs associated with parking like depreciation and corporate support costs the table shows that there will be an estimated deficit on the service at the end of 2015/16 of £94,297.

The estimated cumulative deficit in 2018/19 will be £706,504."

Currently all car parks run by Vale council offer two hours

free parking, including in Wantage, Abingdon and Farindgon town centres.

Cllr Cotton said: "We may put in a modest increase. Not very much, only about 10p."

"We charge considerably less than neighbouring districts.

"We want the burden of car parks to fall on those using it, not on those paying tax.

"We don't run our car parks for a profit."

SODC offers free parking in some of its car parks, and charges 50p for the first hour in others, meaning it's deficit would be smaller.

A report published by SODC last week, also by John Backley, said: "If no changes are made to the level of fees and charges (and assuming levels of usage stay the same) then the car park account will have a projected income of £64,294 in 2015/16 but over the five-year period the account will produce a cumulative deficit of £134,863."

Both council meetings will be held at their joint headquarters in Milton Park.

SODC's is due to take place at 6pm tonight and Vale's is due to be held at 10am tomorrow.

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Fatal collision

BURFORD: A 57-year-old man died on Friday after a five-vehicle collision on the A424 between Burford and Stow-on-the-Wold at the junction to Idbury to Foscot.

The collision was at around 12.30pm and another driver sustained serious but not life threatening injuries.

The family of the 57-year-old has been informed.

Safe Places

WITNEY: A scheme to reassure vulnerable visitors to Witney launches today.

The national 'Safe Places' scheme will see 19 shops and businesses offer up their spaces as 'safe havens' to anyone who may be feeling lost, worried or threatened.

Each business is checked by Thames Valley Police.

The project is aimed at helping vulnerable groups like those with dementia or learning disabilities.

Care home visit

OXFORD: MP for Oxford West and Abingdon Nicola Blackwood visited Oaken Holt Care Home in Farmoor, Oxford on Friday.

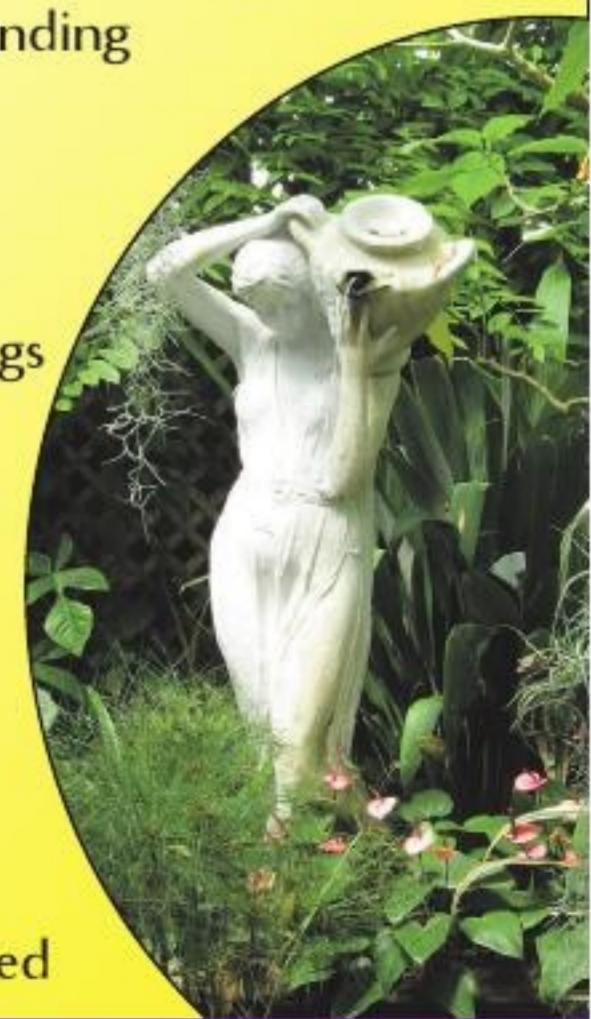
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Big Christmas Sing

OXFORD: Around 500 primary school pupils from across Oxfordshire joined forces for a charity Christmas concert on Tuesday and yesterday.

The Big Christmas Sing involved 21 primary schools at Oxford Town Hall in St Aldate's belting out festive songs.

It was organised by Oxfordshire County Council's music service and Christian Aid, with money raised donated to the charity.

TVP gypsy review

OXON: More needs to be done to integrate with gypsy communities in the Thames Valley, a police report has advised.

Police published the results of an independent review into Gypsy, Traveller and Roma (GRT) policies on Tuesday.

It said more needs to be done to communicate and encourage police to employ them.

The review was commissioned by Thames Valley Police in June 2014 and findings were published on Tuesday.

It was led by Margaret Greenfields from Buckinghamshire New University, Mark Watson from Cheshire Constabulary and Police Constable Jim Davies of the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller Police Association.

Professor Greenfields said: "TVP has fully accepted the best-practice recommendations."

Black friday flops as crowds stay at home

OXFORDSHIRE'S shopping centres were quieter than predicted on Black Friday, with the lure of deals not coaxing people out at the same rate as last year.

Shoppers were pleasantly surprised to find parking and traffic much improved on last year.

Bicester Village pledged not to hold Black Friday sales but its shopping hours were extended.

Steve Hunt, 32, from Worcester, was at the outlet centre at around 11am.

He said: "It's not been anywhere near as bad as we were expecting. The traffic was abso-

lutely fine."

The dad-of-two added: "I hate shopping anyway, that's why I'm stood out here watching the pram. I can't wait to leave already."

Jamie Kennedy, 29, from Witney, was also shopping at Bicester Village.

He said: "I was a bit put off because it's Black Friday but it doesn't seem as bad as last year. We're quite pleased.

"We are not here for anything specific. Just to get some Christ-

mas stuff."

Spokesperson for the shopping outlet Miranda Markham said on Friday: "It is currently busy but very manageable.

"Traditionally the final pay day weekend before Christmas is always busy so peak traffic measures are in place."

The first Friday after Thanksgiving sees shops promote sales to kick-start Christmas shopping.

It is a fairly new UK trend following the American tradition, but UK shoppers spent over £800 million last year and roads around Bicester Village were

gridlocked most of the day.

Oxford's Templars Shopping Centre in Cowley was also surprisingly quiet despite some shops advertising Black Friday sales.

Store manager of Intersport DW sports shop, Jo Nice, said: "Our target is 300 per cent more than a normal Friday.

"People were coming in as soon as we opened the door. We didn't know what to expect.

"It was very good for the company last year."

TK Maxx also in Templars opened an hour earlier.

Assistant store manager Shawn Dudley said: "It's a difficult one. We're still very amateurish about it. We don't really know what to expect.

"About six people were outside when we opened."

Lee Bowden, 45, from North Hinksey, was shopping in the TK Maxx store. He said: "I thought it was going to be bad but it's not around here. Last year was bad. I was out shopping for an iPad but this year seems alright."

Have your say online



Hundreds brave the wind for Head of the River race

ROWERS battled against winds of up to 50mph along the River Thames in Wallingford on Sunday at the annual Head of the River event.

Around 800 spectators watched oars sparring with 263 crews facing off against each other in the water.

Oxford Brookes University Rowing Club were the runaway winners, grabbing the spoils in the Division One 10.45am race and in the 1.30pm Division 2 race.

Rowers came from all over the UK, with University of London Boat Club and Newcastle University in the top 10.

Rachael Haycock, who organised it and raced for Wallingford Rowing Club, said: "We had our doubts heading into the day if it would go ahead. But only 30 crews pulled out so we went ahead and it proved to be so worthwhile.

She added: "I was in a boat with the other girls and we just decided to grit our teeth and give it a go."

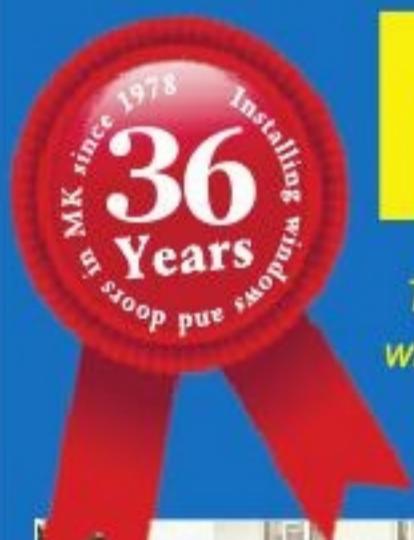


• Teams prepare for the event
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• Templars Shopping Centre Park car park on Friday

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Hospital heating project 'vital' despite six months of Headington roadworks

By Alex Ballinger

CITY bosses have aired concerns of the impact six months of roadworks could have on Headington next year for Oxford's hospitals to install new pipes as part of a £14.8 million energy project.

The plans, called the Hospital Energy Project, were announced on Monday and would see new boilers installed and hot water pipes laid between the John Radcliffe Hospital in Headley Way and the Churchill Hospital in Churchill Drive.

The 18-month project by Oxfordshire University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust could see six months of roadworks including some closures.

A press conference was held at the John Radcliffe on Monday where local councillors voiced worries.

Oxfordshire county councillor for Headington and Quarry, Roz Smith, said: "A lot of residents feel angry about not being informed about this earlier."

City councillor Ruth Wilkinson said: "Parking is a really big issue in Headington. How will residents get to know what arrangements have been made about that?"

The scheme to improve the efficiency of heating the two hospitals aims to save £1.1m.

Director of planning and information at the hospital trust, Andrew Stevens, said: "The longer term benefits will have a great pay back."



• (From right) Ashley Malin and Mike Cooke from Vital Energi, Andrew Stevens, Claire Hennessy and Mark Bristow from Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

"It's important in terms of the savings but we are also part of the wider community and we wanted to improve our carbon footprint."

"We know it's going to be disruptive and we know it's going to be difficult for local residents but we hope the benefits will outweigh that."

Work on the scheme has already begun at the John Radcliffe site.

It is due to be finished by November 2016.

The energy link pipe will run along Woodlands Road, Sandfield Road, London Road, Latimer Road, All Saints Road, Stapleton Road, Old Road ends at Churchill Hospital in Churchill Drive.

Some of these roads would have to be closed for the pipes to be fitted and others may be partly shut and controlled by traffic lights.

The trust's senior estates operational maintenance manager, Claire Hennessy, said: "Improving the infra-

structure is vital to patient care. We need to make sure the heating and cooling systems in the hospital are working."

London-based contractors Vital Energi is installing the pipes.

Regional director of Vital, Mike Cooke said: "It's very similar to projects we've run elsewhere. This is a very innovative scheme."

Working hours for the project are set to be between 8am and 5.30pm weekdays although Vital have said they may work weekends if the project falls behind.



• The pipes being laid at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Headington

Band room named after couple

THE owners of a bookshop in Wantage's Regent Arcade have been celebrated after donating over £10,000 to Wantage Silver Band.

Regent Furniture and Books owners Sue and Phil Mudway donated the proceeds from a bric-a-brac stall in their shop to fund instruments for children to learn music with.

To thank them the band renamed a practice room at their base in Garston Close 'The Mudway Room'.

Bandmaster Eileen Sykes said: "We are so grateful for the continuing generosity and support from the Mudway family."

The couple cut the ribbon at a ceremony on November 28.



Group calls for help in bid to stop pool demolition

A COMMUNITY group is calling on residents to help halt the demolition of Temple Cowley Pools, which could be knocked down later this month.

Developers Catalyst Housing want to demolish the site in Temple Road to build a mix of 48 houses and flats on the land.

Agents Savills submitted a notification of intentions to demolish the site to Oxford City Council in October.

A proposal to keep the pools and its leisure centre open was turned

down by the city council's City Executive Board last December.

Community group Save Temple Cowley Pools (Save TCP) opposed the plans and have launched a fresh plea for residents to write to the city council to encourage them to halt the demolition.

Save TCP claim Catalyst have told them that the demolition could take place this month if the city council decide whether or not approval is required for the demolition.

A statement from Save TCP said:

"We don't think it makes sense to demolish an 'Asset of Community Value' when the planning application to replace it just with housing hasn't even been submitted, let alone approved."

"If the demolition goes ahead, the council will deliberately be destroying the only public diving pool in the county, along with the pool and other facilities, leaving an area with nothing."

Since the notification of intentions was submitted, 24 objections have been sent in by residents.

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News Bites**Oxford Green Fair**

OXFORD: Renowned Oxford author Phillip Pullman will open the city's 35th annual Green Fair at Oxford Town Hall in St Aldate's on Saturday.

Around 100 stalls will be present alongside live music and a Green Father Christmas.

Pullman (pictured) will give an opening speech at 11am with the fair open to the public from 10.30pm to 4.30pm.

**Sexual Assault**

OXFORD: A 25-year-old Oxford man has been arrested and bailed after an 18-year-old woman was touched inappropriately at a kebab van in St Aldate's on Sunday.

The victim was at McCoy's kebab van around 4am when a man touched her.

There were a number of people there at the time and police would like to speak to anyone who saw the incident.

The 25-year-old is on police bail until December 29.

Pervert with nearly 25,000 images of children is jailed

A PERVERT from Oxford with almost 25,000 indecent images of children stored on his computer was jailed for 18 months on Monday.

Wai Yin Tse, of Cromwell Way in Kidlington, interrupted the judge from the dock as he was sentenced at Oxford Crown

By Loughlan Campbell

Court to three years imprisonment, half of which is to be served on licence.

Judge Patrick Eccles said: "The images you shared over the course of 22 months included a huge number of inde-

cent images of children, just short of 25,000 images in total."

"Some of these images were of very young children and some seemed to be in discernible pain."

At this point, Yin Tse said: "I would not want to see any children in pain."

The 43-year-old was convicted by a unanimous jury of nine charges on September 29 after a four-day trial.

He was charged on November 15 last year for seven counts of making indecent photographs of children, one count of attempting to make indecent photographs of children and one count of possessing extreme pornographic videos.

The counts included making 24,898 indecent photos of children.

Judge Eccles also stated the images would have been 'easily accessible' for anyone to share and pointed towards the fact that Yin Tse lived with his sister and his three-year-old niece, who would have had access to the computer.

Thames Valley Police Detective Constable Emma Thompson said: "I am pleased that Tse has been given this sentence today. Thames Valley Police

always investigates crimes of this nature thoroughly and today's conviction is the result of some hard work by our investigation team."

During the sentencing, Judge Eccles gave Yin Tse a sexual harm prevention order, to be in place for 10 years, and ordered him to be listed on the sexual offender's register for life.

The judge said the fact that the offender shared the images he stored through file sharing websites was a 'significant feature' in regards to the sentencing as it meant the images he shared were in the public domain for others to share.

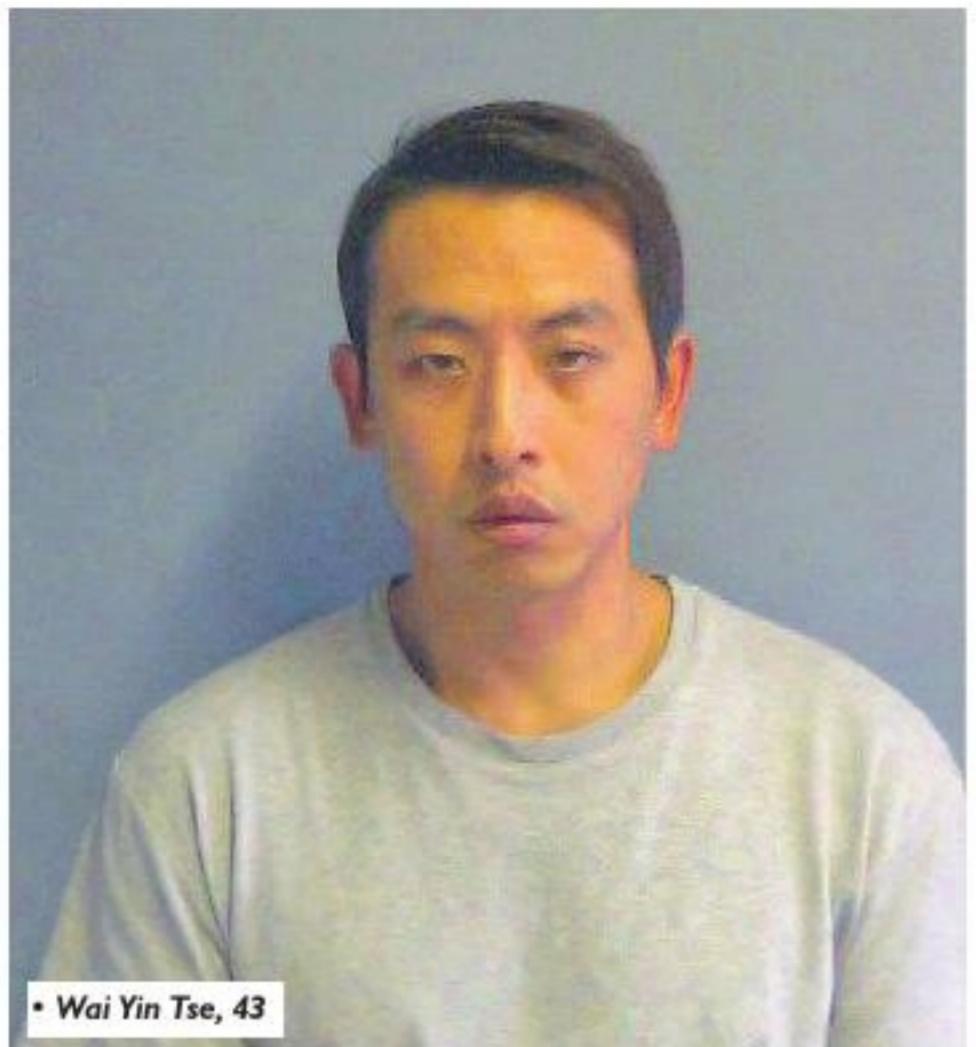
Yin Tse was arrested by police on August 30 in 2013.

The offences were between November 29, 2011, and August 30, 2013.

Police seized his computer and external storage devices and found tens of thousands of indecent photographs and videos of children.

The computer is set to be destroyed after family photos are recovered.

Have your say online



• Wai Yin Tse, 43

Brain injury sufferer who is supported by charity bids to save it from cuts

A DIDCOT man who survived major brain surgery has launched a plea to halt cuts to the charity which supports him through recovery.

Andrew Baker, 27, has been helped by brain trauma charity Headway Oxford for three and a half years with treatments including physiotherapy.

He suffered a pre-natal brain injury at birth and could not talk until he was five years old, before another head injury at primary school left him needing surgery.

He said: "It would be absolutely devastating if they had to close due to these cuts, not just as they provide my services, but the fact is that Headway is a lifeline for so many people under its care."

Kennington-based Headway Oxford is among the Oxfordshire charities and services under threat from proposed cuts from Oxfordshire County Council, who are looking to save around £50m on top of £292m by 2018.

Mr Baker set up his own fundraising charity Play2Give in 2007, and works in Sainsbury's in Didcot's Orchard Centre.

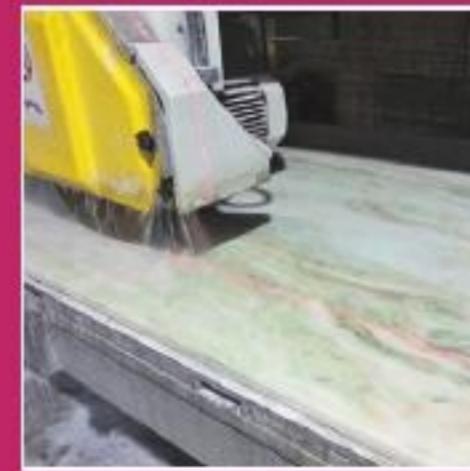
He added: "Headway is uniquely special in the services it provides."

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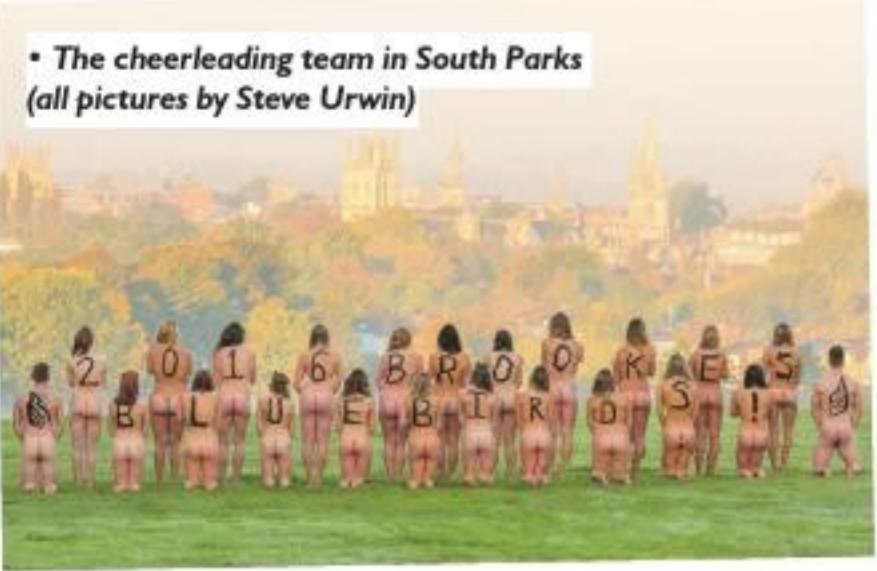
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Cheerleaders embrace naked acrobatic antics for calendar

• The cheerleading team in South Parks
(all pictures by Steve Urwin)



• Jessica Denning showing off her skills



AN Oxford Brookes University cheerleading team tackled nude gymnastics for a photoshoot to launch a 2016 calendar for the first time.

The Oxford Brookes Bluebirds calendar is to be released next week after two months of work.

The women and men strut their skills doing the splits on the man-tlepiece of Headington Hill Hall, balancing acts in the beer garden of Cowley Retreat, and posing in South Parks in front of Oxford's skyline.

The team's head of fundraising Georgia Smith, 20, said: "It was so much fun. It really brought the team together."

The Oxford Brookes Bluebirds contacted an Oxford photographer in October to pitch their idea of a calendar to fundraise for the team.

The squad needs to raise money to rent their practice room and pay for their coach.

Marston-based freelance photographer Steve Urwin said: "I've never done anything like this before. We've done some very interesting things with the locations.

"We wanted it to be about Oxford but also to show off their

By **Alex Ballinger**

cheerleading as well."

Mr Urwin is a former cheerleader for the club.

The 30-year-old added: "The team doesn't get as much attention as something like rugby."

Miss Smith, who is in her third year of studying economics, politics and international relations at Oxford Brookes, it had taken a lot of work but the team are looking forward to seeing the finished product.

She added: "We needed a way to raise money because we're completely underfunded. It had been talked about before but we just decided to do it."

"Everyone was on board."

The calendar will be officially launched next Thursday and 10 per cent of proceeds will go to charity ParaCheer International, which promotes cheerleading for people with disabilities.

It will be available via brookescheerleaders.bigcartel.com

Last month Oxford University women's and men's rugby team also ditched their kit and took to the pitch in their own nude calendar to raise money for charity.

• Members of the team performing an extended lib



• Victoria Tooby (left), Lucy Froud (center),
Jessica Denning (right) in Headington Hill Hall



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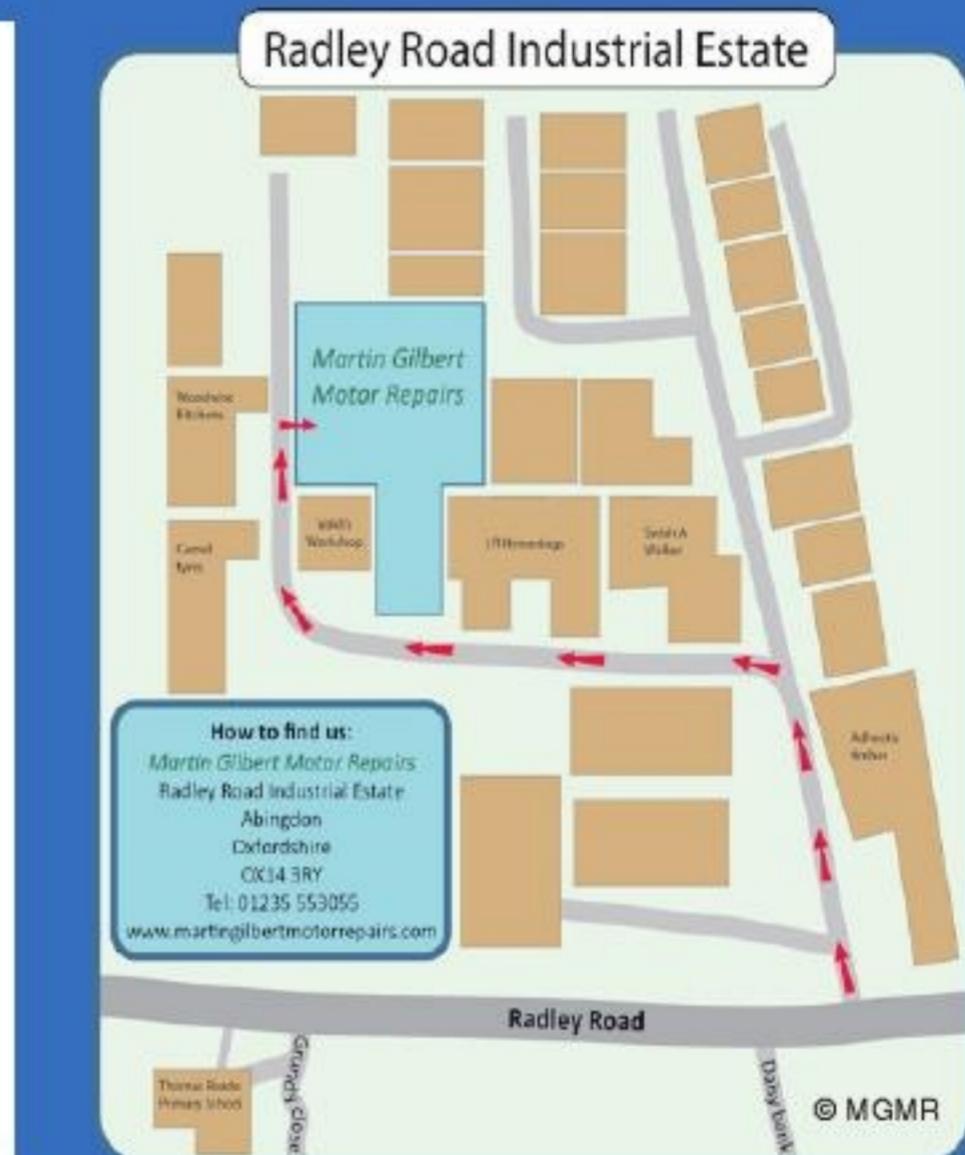


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Shooting centre fined over noise
THE owner of a Stadhampton hotel has been fined £1,500 after more than 40 complaints were made to South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC) about noise from clay pigeon shooting.

Jason Hunt, 51, of Bear Lane in Stadhampton, owns the Crazy Bear Hotel of the same address.

He pleaded guilty to two breaches of a noise abatement notice at Oxford Magistrates' Court on November 25.

The abatement notice was issued in January last year after complaints about noise from shooting held at the hotel since October 2013.

SODC cabinet member for waste, food safety, and environmental health, Tony Harbour, said: "We are very supportive of any business wishing to diversify and set up activities that attract more customers. However, they must not be to the detriment of the local area or impact those living near by."

After the notice was issued acoustic shelters were built at the site but more complaints were received.

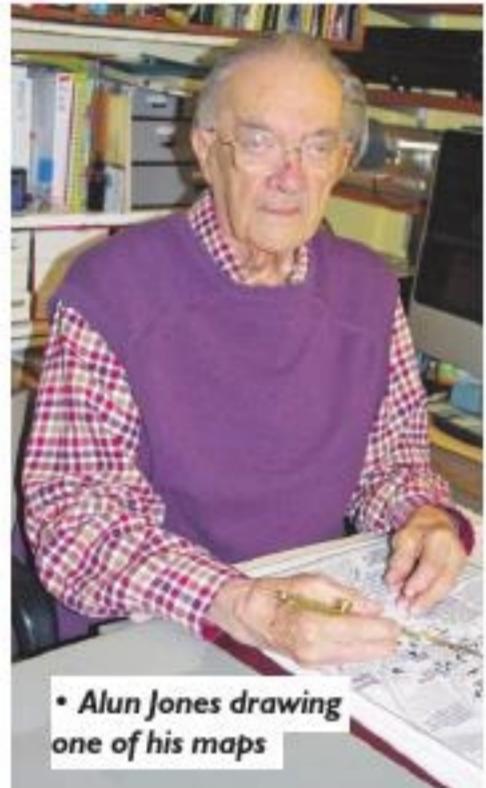
Following Hunt's failure to comply SODC prosecuted him for the breaches.

Hunt pleaded not guilty in 2014 but later changed his plea. He was fined £750 for each breach of the notice, and ordered to pay a victim surcharge of £75 and £1,000 in costs.

Veteran map maker celebrated in county exhibition

AN OXFORD mapmaker who has been drawing maps for 50 years has had his work recognised by county leaders in a new exhibition.

Alun Jones, who celebrated his 88th birthday on Saturday, still draws maps by hand and has worked with the Campaign to Protect Rural England and



• Alun Jones drawing one of his maps

By Alex Ballinger

the Oxford Preservation Trust to create around 90 maps in his lifetime.

Some of his work is now on display in Oxford's County Hall in New Road after an exhibition was opened by Oxfordshire County Council chairman John Sanders on Friday.

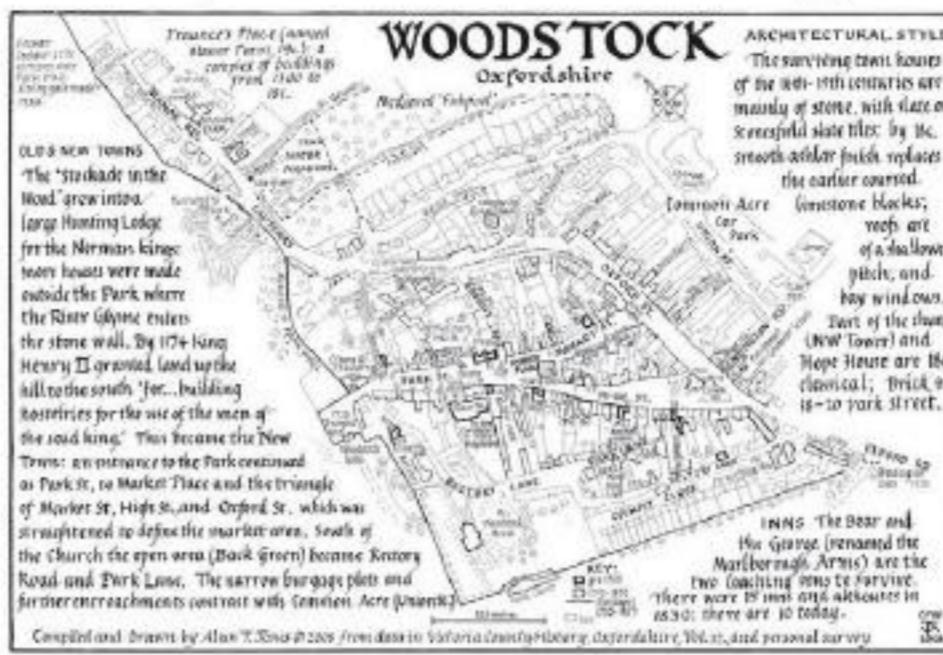
Mr Jones, who lives in Marston, said: "It's been like a career and a passion for me. I've always done the maps for free.

"I do enjoy it. The maps aren't just meant to be an exhibition. I draw them to be used. They're not just pieces of art."

The exhibition includes hand drawn maps of Oxfordshire's historic locations including towns, villages, historic houses and gardens and even long distance walks.

Mr Jones, a retired lecturer, has lived in Oxford since 1941 when he attended the University of Oxford's Lincoln College.

He originally gained his map-making, or cartography, skills



• A map of Woodstock by Mr Jones

while studying classical archaeology.

The exhibition was arranged by Mr Jones' friend Chris Hawgood, who said: "I've known Alun for 45 years and he's one of the best friends a person could ask for.

"The maps Alun has drawn are important. They're works of art."

"It's a gift to the community and to Oxfordshire. In my opinion he doesn't get enough credit."

Discussions are underway to preserve the collection at either the Oxford University's Bodleian

Library or the Oxfordshire History Centre in Cowley.

Maps librarian at the Bodleian Library, Nick Millia, said at the opening of the exhibition: "Most map making is done on the computer these days, but Alun doesn't do that.

"He draws them by hand. They're unique."

The maps will be on show in County Hall's meeting room corridor until February 28.

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Toast starts fire

FRINGFORD: A postman reported house fire in a village near Bicester on Friday when he heard the smoke alarm inside.

A fire engine from Bicester attended Main Road in Fringford at around 12.22pm.

As firefighters prepared to force entry the occupier arrived and unlocked the property.

The fire had been caused by toast left unattended under a lit grill and was quickly extinguished.

Top-10 happiest

OXFORD: The city has been ranked in the top 10 for having the happiest neighbours in the UK.

Oxford ranked seventh place in the survey carried out by emergency repairs company Homeserve.

First place went to Preston, followed by Dundee and Chester.

Snatch theft

OXFORD: A 24-year-old woman had cash snatched from her hand at an ATM in central Oxford last Monday.

At around 8.05pm the victim withdrew money from the machine at Lloyds Bank in High Street when a man took the cash and ran off.

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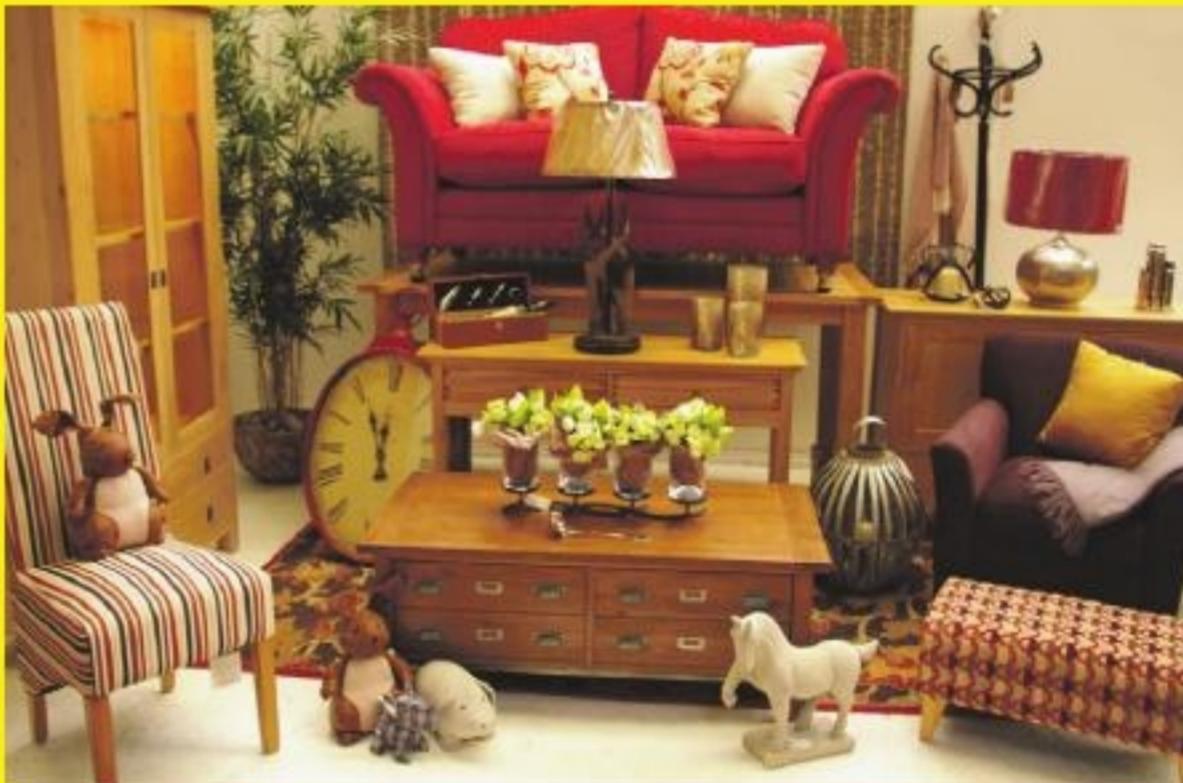
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Police bosses 'delighted' at Osborne's cuts U-turn in wake of Paris terror

THAMES Valley Police leaders say they are delighted the Government have abandoned planned cuts to police budgets next year.

The Conservative leadership was expected to slash police funding for frontline services, but Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne last Wednesday announced a major U-turn during his Autumn Statement.

Following the Paris terror attacks in which 130 people died on November 13 as well as security threats in Belgium and across Europe this month, Mr Osborne announced in Parliament last Wednesday no cuts would be made to policing over the next year.

Thames Valley's Police and Crime Commissioner Anthony Stansfield said: "I am absolutely delighted that the very large cuts that were planned for policing have not gone ahead."

"I am pleased that senior politicians have listened and the adverse impact of the cuts has been recognised."

Chief Constable Francis Habgood previously said he was unsure how 'significant' cuts would impact Oxfordshire's policing and it was

By Alex Ballinger

unclear how much would be taken from the police budget.

He added Thames Valley Police have saved £58 million in total over the last four years and £13m in 2015.

Ch Con Habgood said: "I am pleased to hear that the Chancellor has acknowledged the need to protect police services by deciding not to make further cuts to police budgets in the next year."

"Today is a good day for our communities and Thames Valley Police but we must also remember that we are still in times of austerity and we will continue to have some difficult choices to make about how allocate our resources according to local priorities."

"We will continue to ensure that we maximise every opportunity to prevent crime, protect the public and bring offenders to justice."

After gunmen and suicide bombers targeted venues across Paris, Prime Minister David Cameron also announced plans boosting funding for UK security services to hire 1,900 extra security and intelligence staff.

Mr Osborne said: "The government will protect overall police spending in real terms over the spending review period."

"This will provide funding to maintain overall police force budgets at current cash levels."

"The Government is taking steps to enable police officers to spend more time fighting crime."



• Chief Constable Francis Habgood

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Broadband rollout

OXON: More than 4,600 businesses and homes are set to benefit from a £5.58 million superfast broadband scheme.

The money will see Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) and BT's Better Broadband for Oxfordshire expanded.

The funding, from Oxfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), South East Midlands LEP, Cherwell District Council, OCC, the Government's Broadband Delivery UK programme and BT, was announced last Wednesday.

CCTV

OXFORD: A CCTV image was released last week of a man police would like to speak to about an assault in Oxford city centre on Sunday, September 20.



At around 1.30am two men left the Bell and Compass pub in New Road and were having a conversation when one elbowed the other in the face.

The man, in his fifties, was knocked back into a wall as a result of the blow.

The victim was taken to Oxford's John Radcliffe Hospital and was later discharged.

Osborne's tax hike 'not likely to save services'

A RISE in council tax of almost four per cent is unlikely to save vital Oxfordshire services, a councillor has called.

During Chancellor George Osborne's Autumn Statement in the Houses of Parliament last Wednesday he announced local government authorities will be allowed to hike council tax by two per cent above the 1.9 per cent already permitted.

For the cheapest band A property in Oxford this could mean a 3.9 per cent rise of about £44 from £1,118.27 to £1,161.88.

And the extra cash created would have to be spent on adult social care services.

Mr Osborne said: "The truth we need to confront is this: many local authorities are not going to be able to meet growing social care needs unless they have new sources of funding. That, in the end, comes from the taxpayer."

"So in future those local authori-

ties who are responsible for social care will be able to levy a new social care precept of up to two per cent on council tax."

Amid £342 million of cuts Oxfordshire County Council has to make by 2020, independent councillor Lynda Atkins warned even four per cent may not be enough.

Cllr Atkins said: "It seems very unlikely we would be able to protect these services with a four per cent increase so we're still calling for a 10 per cent increase which will be vital to save our services."

In October the Guardian revealed independent councillors including Cllr Atkins called for a referendum on whether to raise council tax by 10 to 15 per cent.

And last month Oxfordshire County Council voted in favour of lobbying central Government for a referendum to hike council tax by a percentage not yet decided.

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THE first season of the Kenneth Branagh Theatre Company is now open, starting with a unique Terence Rattigan double bill, as Zoë Wanamaker appears alongside Kenneth Branagh in the uproarious comic gem Harlequinade, following her performance of the powerfully atmospheric one-woman play, All On Her Own.

Harlequinade, Rattigan's backstage farce is a comic treat and focuses on the author's first love - the theatre. It pokes fun at a fictional acting company whose intrigues and dalliances are revealed with increasingly calamitous consequences.

In a dramatic contrast, All On Her Own is both heart-breaking and sinister. Wanamaker gives a tour de force performance as Rosemary, who is alone at midnight in London with a dangerous secret. Also starring Miranda Raison, Tom Bateman, John Shrapnel and Jessie Buckley.

Don't miss your chance to see this special Terence Rattigan double bill. Garrick Theatre, 2 Charing Cross

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★★★★★ 'Wanamaker is devastatingly good' Whatsonstage.com

★★★★ Evening Standard, The Independent, Guardian, Metro

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Q: At which London Theatre can you see Harlequinade? Shaftesbury, Garrick or London?

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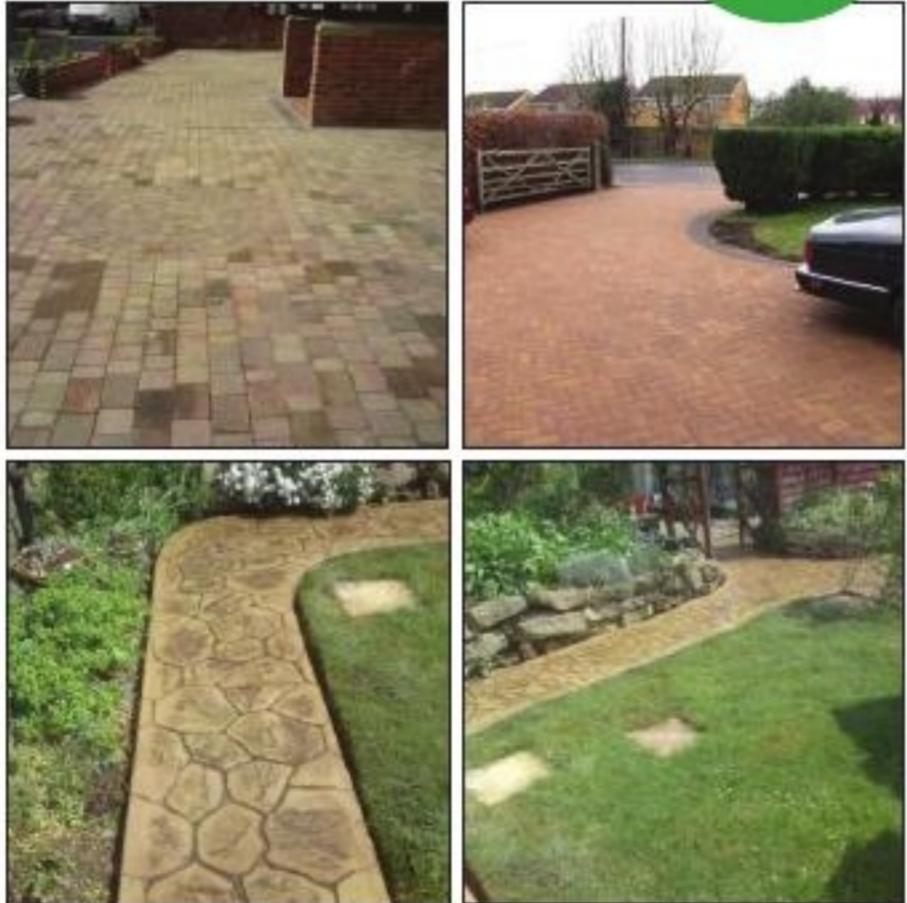


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Activities coordinator at Abingdon Court, Rachel Pitts was thrilled with the performance, "Graham is a wonderful tribute artist who has performed for us before. I think this performance was his best!

His whole look and movement really made the Residents smile and sing along," said Rachel.

The honour of switching on the Christmas Lights was presented to Maria Parsons, Chief Executive of Creative Dementia Arts Network. The Network's aim is to connect artists, arts organisations and cultural institutions with commissioners of creative arts for dementia. Rachel is working with Maria to bring activities to Abingdon Court that will be of benefit to the residents.

Christmas is always a lovely time at Abingdon Court. Staff, relatives and friends all ensure that the residents enjoy the family atmosphere and cheer the season brings.

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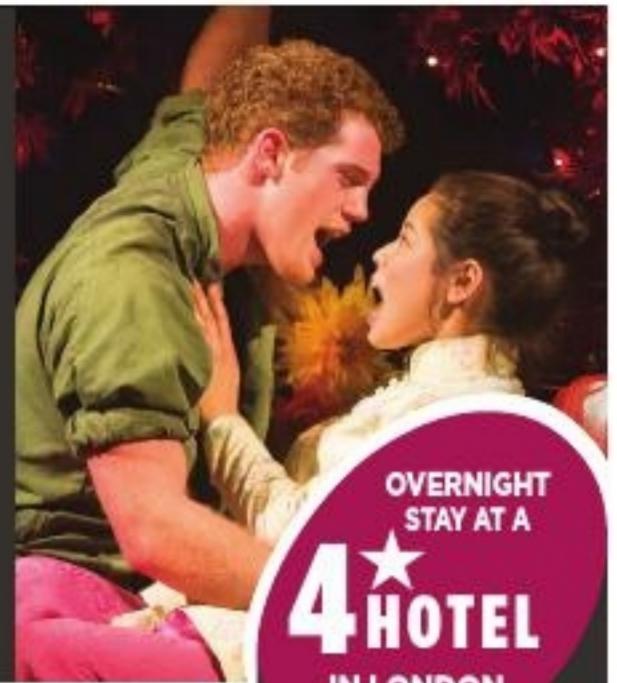
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Quick Clues Across

- 1 Starting again (8)
- 4 Knob (4)
- 8 Be plentiful (6)
- 10 Nape of the neck (6)
- 11 Molars (5)
- 12 Traded (5)
- 14 Suitable for agriculture (6)
- 17 Never at rest (9)
- 18 Carrying too much (9)
- 22 Hard (6)
- 23 Marked in a mysterious way (5)
- 24 Items (5)
- 26 Handwriting (6)
- 27 Resinous (6)
- 28 Stain (4)
- 29 Charges with a duty (8)

Quick Clues Down

- 1 Peruse (4)
- 2 Beaches (6)
- 3 Cloak (6)
- 5 Digits (6)
- 6 Disagreed (8)
- 7 Dark yellow (5)
- 9 Discouraging (9)
- 10 Strong supporters (9)
- 13 Living (5)
- 15 Kind of poplar (5)
- 16 Comprises (8)
- 18 Carry to excess (6)
- 19 Explode (5)
- 20 Clearing cloth (6)
- 21 Relatives (6)
- 25 Shades (4)

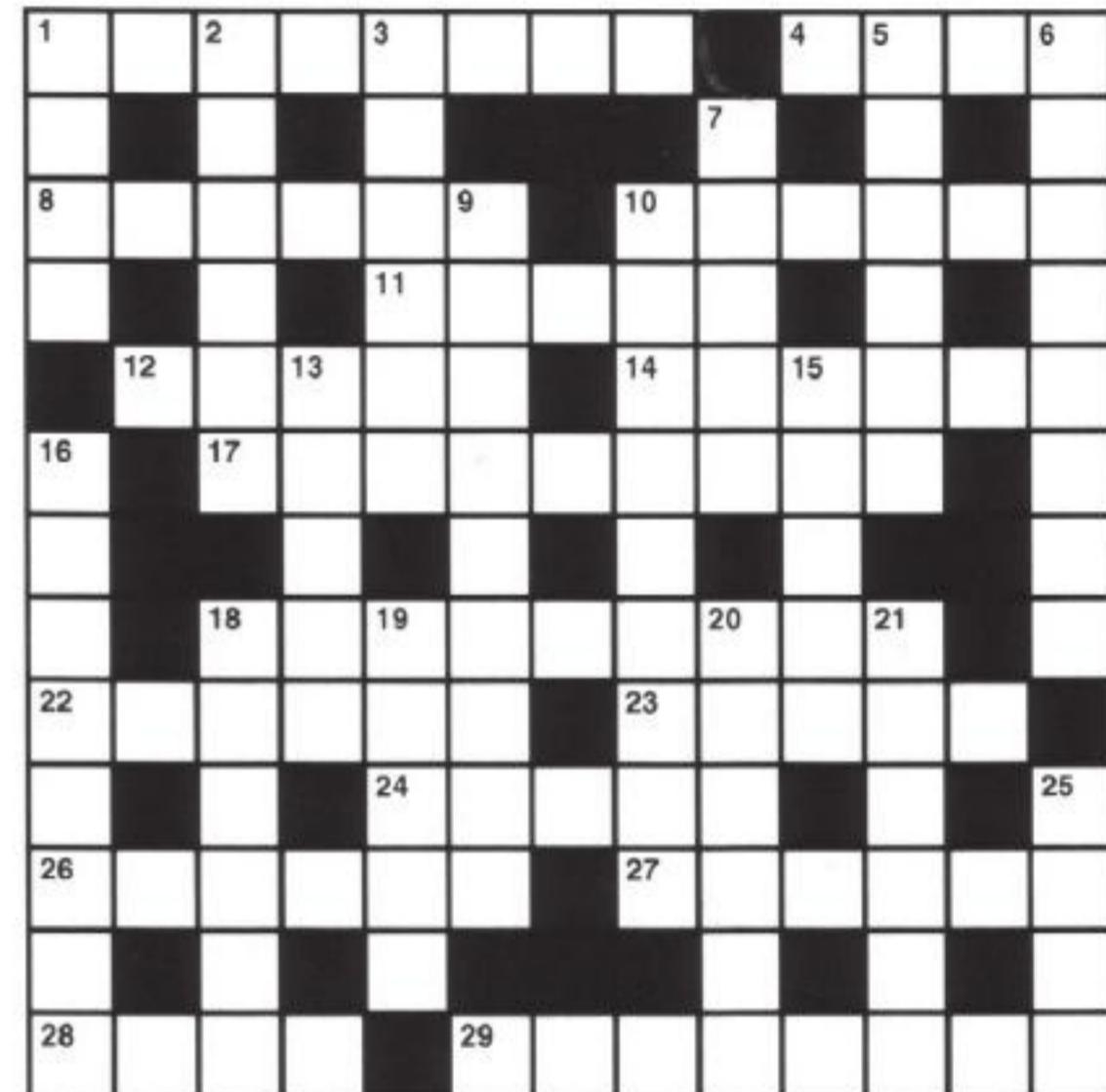
Scribble space

Cryptic Clues Across

- 1 Dashed to make the connection (8)
- 4 The girl takes a follower to the festival (4)
- 8 Help needed for Long Island caught in a sandy ridge (6)
- 10 Drops the matches (6)
- 11 Speak out, instead of keeping nothing inside (5)
- 12 Make a bid - there's a little official hesitation (5)
- 14 Slightly distorted viewpoints for simply heavenly people (6)
- 17 With which to handle confidential information? (9)
- 18 Groups around a hundred and fifty are very small objects (9)
- 22 Everything in the wager makes for pantomime (6)
- 23 Polish your brow, or back to the breaking of a law (5)
- 24 Be depressed under the surface (5)
- 26 Danger can be found outside the house (6)
- 27 We rake out the less healthy (6)
- 28 Film I left is disposed of (4)
- 29 Fed up, and doomed to hold a small number (8)

Cryptic Clues Down

- 1 Wounded right in the cabin (4)
- 2 Upset the bucket with a very loud noise - then dish the rice (6)
- 3 Number of the Spanish flat? (6)
- 5 Strips back a state of unwatchfulness (6)
- 6 Helped like my sister, Edwina? (8)
- 7 Exhausted on the southern slope (5)
- 9 Neglected, but obtained for ten surrounding (9)
- 10 The ragged fellow could exult after turning over acres (9)
- 13 Conduing the fishy part of the French upbringing? (5)
- 15 Bestows part of the swag I've sent (5)
- 16 Put a French sex symbol in boxes? An idea for vegetables (8)
- 18 One word for many (6)
- 19 Oppose the second-class ingredient in the dance (5)
- 20 Most depressed to see the direction of the sunset? (6)
- 21 The senior has a kind of smooth appearance (6)
- 25 Or went up in rising drunkenness, and subdued (4)



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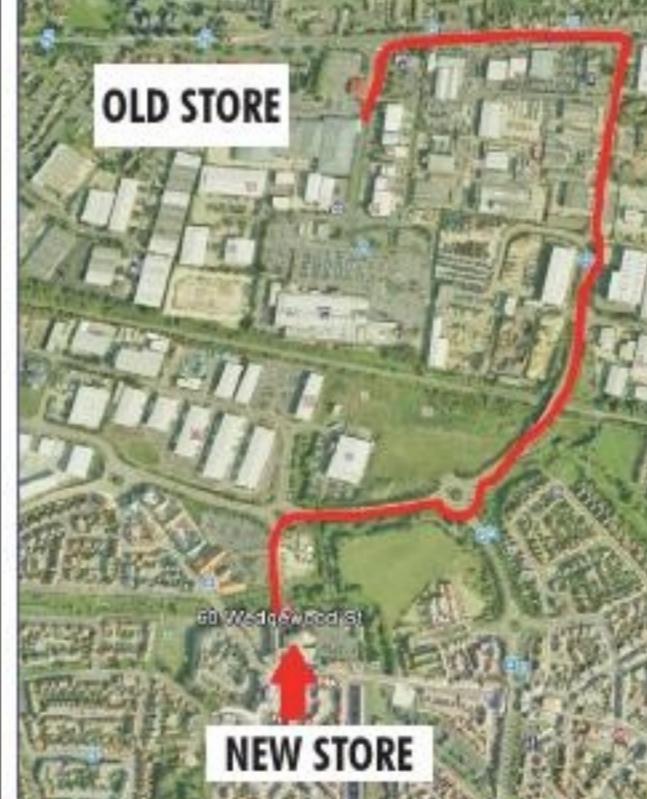
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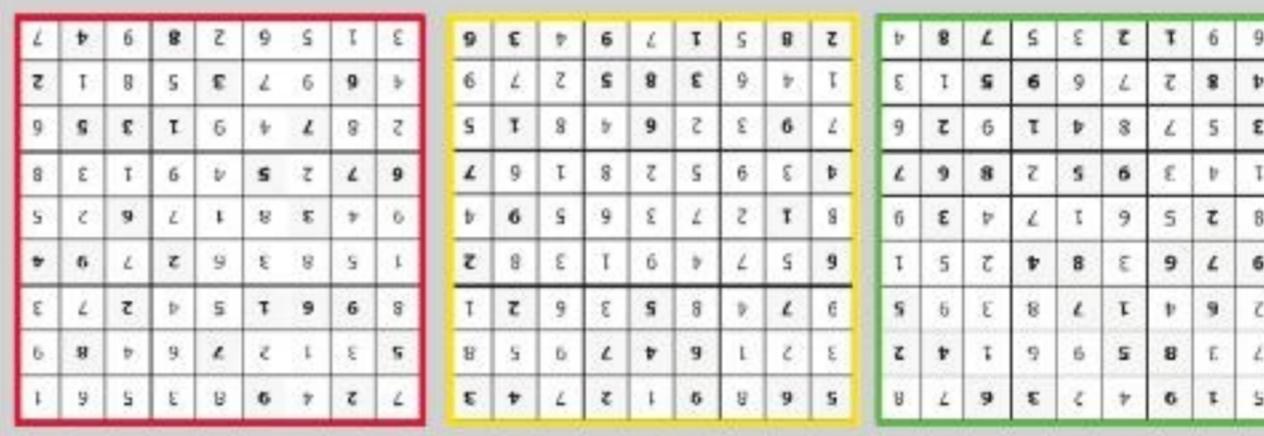
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Acrostic	Resumming + Stud 8 Abounds 10 Scruff 11 Teeth	12 Detail 14 Arable 17 Sleepless 18 Overstuffed 22 Seven	23 Runic 24 Units 26 Script 27 Sticky 28 Spot 29 Entrust
Dowry	1 Read 2 Shores 3 Malice 5 Thumbs 6 Different	7 Ochre 9 Detergent 10 Stalwarts 13 Alive 15 Aspen	16 Constricts 18 Overdo 19 Frupt 20 Dustier 21 Nieces
Actor	1 Hypnosed + Gala 8 Relief 10 Spills 11 Voice 12 Out	14 Angels 17 Fingertrip 18 Parades 22 Ballet 23 Rosin 24 Belie	26 Garden 27 Weaker 28 Solid 29 Fastened
Address	1 Hyphenated + Galia 8 Relief 10 Spills 11 Voice 12 Out	14 Angels 17 Fingertrip 18 Parades 22 Ballet 23 Rosin 24 Belie	18 Plutal 19 Rebel 20 Lowest 21 Silken 25 Trod
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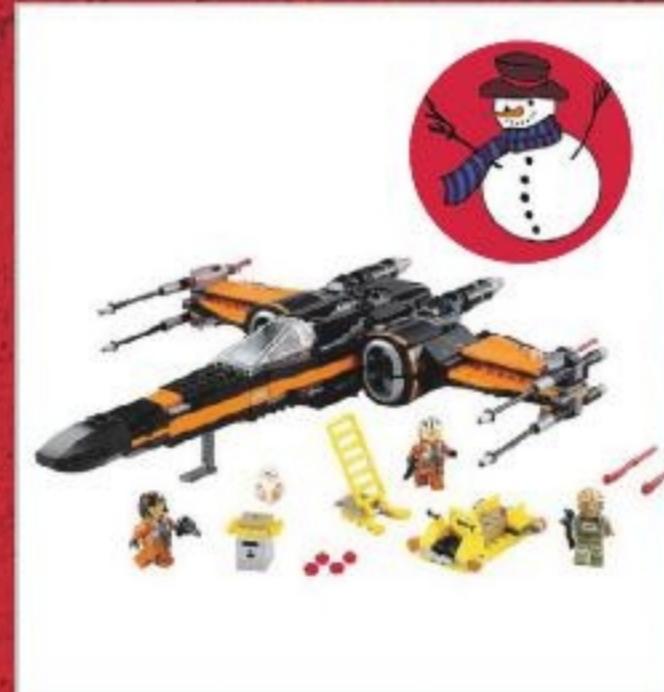
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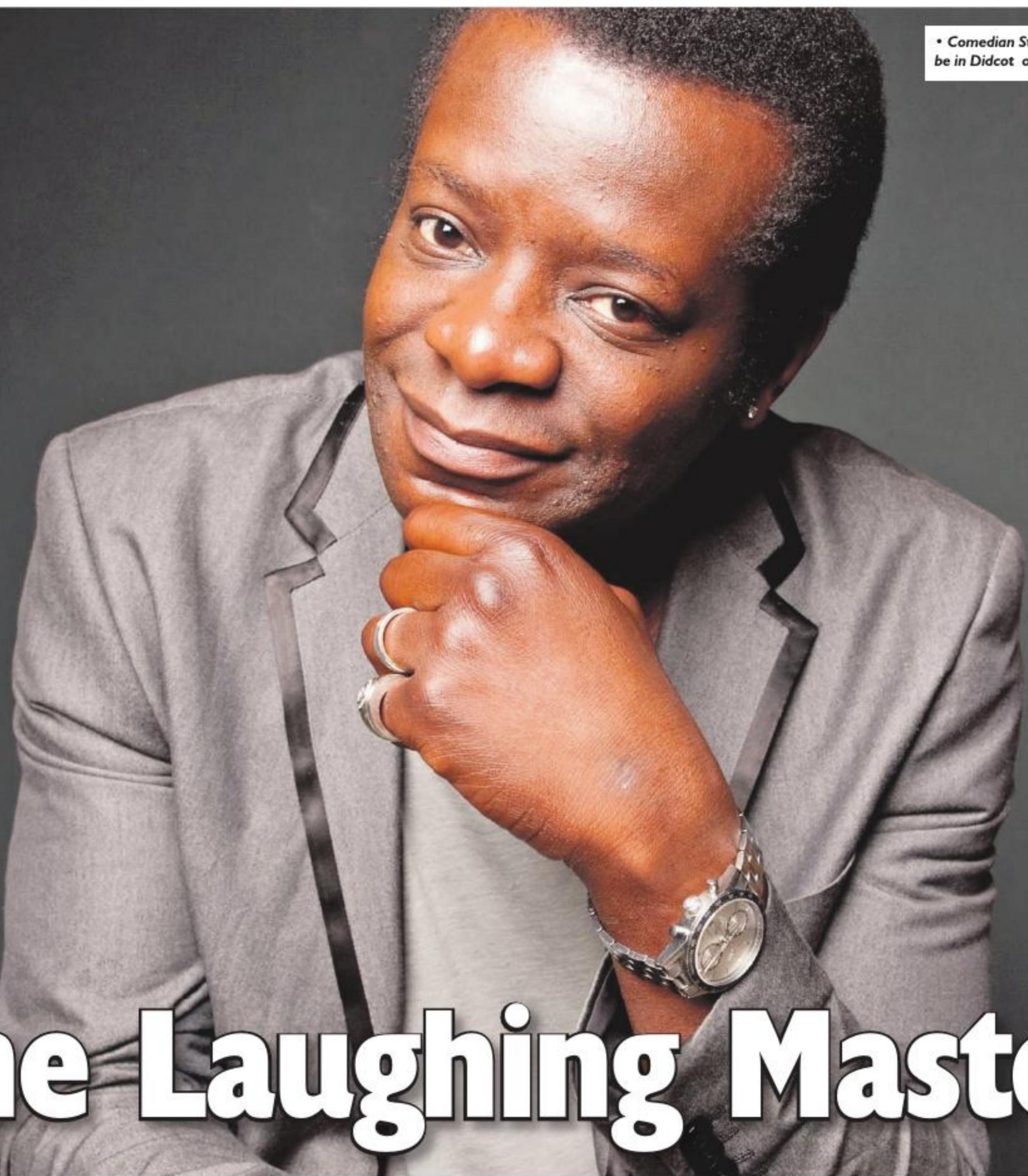
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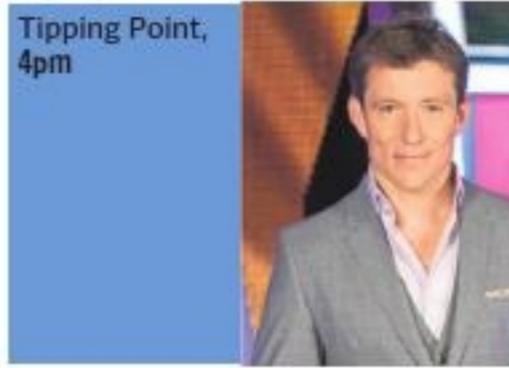
Watchdog,
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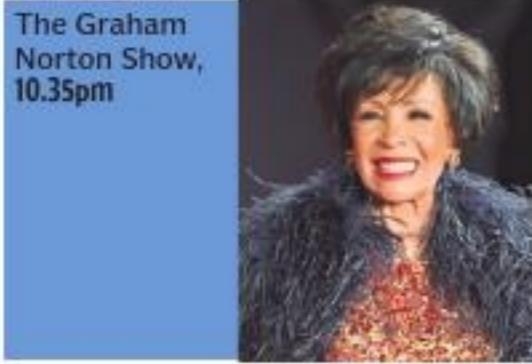


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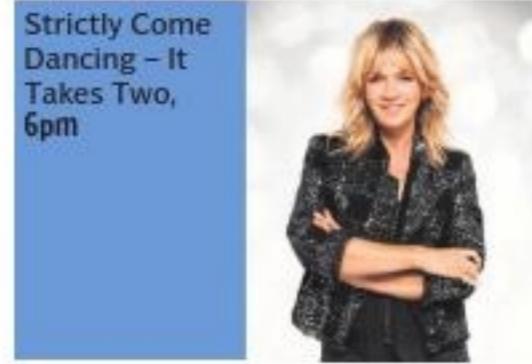
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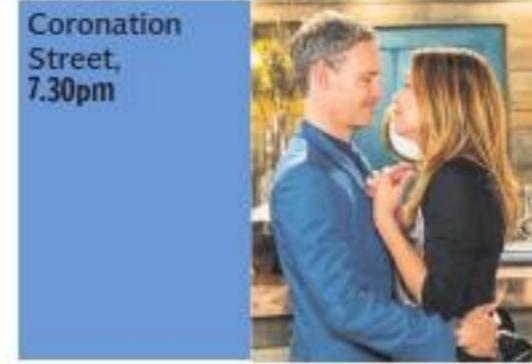
The Graham Norton Show, 10.35pm

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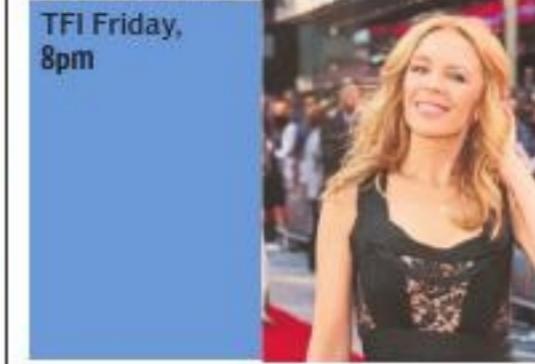
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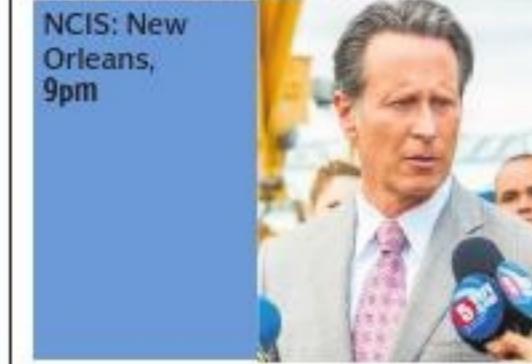
Coronation Street, 7.30pm

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TFI Friday, 8pm

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NCIS: New Orleans, 9pm

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- 6.00 Breakfast** (S) **9.15 Fake Britain** (S) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S) (R) **11.00 Oxford Street Revealed** (S) **11.45 Rip Off Britain: Food** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S) **1.00 BBC News at One**; **Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2.15 The Doctor Blake Mysteries** (S) **3.10 Escape to the Country** Two couples who are looking for homes in rural Dorset. (S) (R) **4.15 Flog It!** (S) (R) **5.15 Pointless** Quiz show, hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (S) (R) **6.00 BBC News at Six**; **Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News Programmes** (S)

- 7.00 The One Show** Hosted by Alex Jones. (S) **7.30 Would I Lie to You?** With David O'Doherty, Richard Osman, Susan Calman and Carol Kirkwood; (S) (R) **BBC News; Regional News** (S)

- 8.00 EastEnders** Sharon comes up with a solution to Phil's drinking problem. (S) **8.30 Citizen Khan** Amjad's mother threatens to take her son and Shazia back to Bradford. (S)

- 9.00 Have I Got News for You** Hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (S) **9.30 Peter Kay's Car Share** John and Kayleigh get to know each other a little bit better. (S) (R)

- 10.00 BBC News at Ten** (S) **10.25 BBC Regional News**; (S) National Lottery Update (S) **10.35 The Graham Norton Show** With Chris Hemsworth, Ron Howard, Lily Tomlin, Kevin Bridges, Shirley Bassey and Blake. (S)

- 11.20 Josh Teabag** treats the flatmates to a weekend full of "lad banter". (S) **11.50 FILM Old School** (2003) (15) Comedy, with Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell and Vince Vaughn. (S)

- AFTER 12** **1.20 Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) **1.25 BBC News** (S)

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- 6.00 Ashley Roberts: The Hot Desk** **6.10** **Totally Bonkers** Guinness World Records **6.35 Psych** **7.20 Emmerdale** **8.20 You've Been Framed!** **8.50 Dinner Date** **9.50 Psych** **10.40 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **12.10 Emmerdale** **1.15 You've Been Framed!** **1.40 Dinner Date** **2.40 The Jeremy Kyle Show** **6.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **7.30 FILM: Back to the Future** (1985) (PG) **9.45 The Hot Desk: Fleur East** **10.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Now!** **11.05 Keith Lemon's Back T'Future Tribute** **12.35 Two and a Half Men** **1.30 The Vampire Diaries** **2.20 Teleshopping** **5.50 ITV2 Nightscreen**

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- 6.00 Movies Now** **6.10 George and Mildred** **6.35 Heartbeat** **7.40 Murder, She Wrote** **8.35 Where the Heart Is** **9.40 Judge Judy** **11.00 A Touch of Frost** **1.05 Heartbeat** **2.10 Wild at Heart** **3.10 Where the Heart Is** **4.15 Doctor at Large** **4.50 On the Buses** **5.20 George and Mildred** **5.55 Heartbeat** **7.00 Muder, She Wrote**

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7

- 7.00 World's Craziest Fools** **7.30 Don't Tell the Bride** **8.30 Sherlock** **10.00 EastEnders** **10.30 Russell Howard's Good News Extra** **11.15 Family Guy** **12.00 American Dad!** **12.20 Family Guy** **12.45 Rent a Cop** **1.15 Josh** **1.45 Russell Howard's Good News Extra** **2.30 World's Craziest Fools** **3.00 World's Worst Place to Be a Woman?** Stacey Dooley Investigates **3.55 Close BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9** **7.00 World News Today**; **Weather** **7.30 The Good Old Days** **8.15 Sounds of the 70s** **8.25 Pop Go the Sixties** **8.30 Sounds of the 70s** **9.00 Forever Young - How Rock 'n' Roll Grew Up** **10.00 I'm Not In Love: The Story of 10cc** **11.00 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold** **12.30 Forever Young - How Rock 'n' Roll Grew Up** **1.30 I'm Not In Love: The Story of 10cc** **2.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold** **4.00 Close**

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

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E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

- 6.00 Doc Martin** **9.00 Foyle's War** **11.00 A Touch of Frost** **1.00 FILM: Closing the Ring** (2007) (12) **2.55 Judge Judy** **3.15 ITV3 Nightscreen** **3.40 Emmerdale** **BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7** **7.00 World's Craziest Fools** **7.30 Don't Tell the Bride** **8.30 Sherlock** **10.00 EastEnders** **10.30 Russell Howard's Good News Extra** **11.15 Family Guy** **12.00 American Dad!** **12.20 Family Guy** **12.45 Rent a Cop** **1.15 Josh** **1.45 Russell Howard's Good News Extra** **2.30 World's Craziest Fools** **3.00 World's Worst Place to Be a Woman?** Stacey Dooley Investigates **3.55 Close BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9** **7.00 World News Today**; **Weather** **7.30 The Good Old Days** **8.15 Sounds of the 70s** **8.25 Pop Go the Sixties** **8.30 Sounds of the 70s** **9.00 Forever Young - How Rock 'n' Roll Grew Up** **10.00 I'm Not In Love: The Story of 10cc** **11.00 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold** **12.30 Forever Young - How Rock 'n' Roll Grew Up** **1.30 I'm Not In Love: The Story of 10cc** **2.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold** **4.00 Close**

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

- 8.55 Grand Designs** **10.00 Building the Dream** **11.00 Hugh's 3 Good Things: Best Bites** **11.25 FILM: SOS Titanic** (1979) (PG) **1.25 Time Team** **3.35 Nazi Megastructures** **4.40 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away** **5.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** **6.50 Multi-Million Pound Properties** **7.55 Grand Designs** **9.00 24 Hours in A&E** **10.00 The Returned** **11.35 Father Ted** **1.10**

Grand Designs

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

- 11.00 Run Wild, Run Free** (1969) (U) **1.05 Caprice** (1967) (U) **3.05 23 Paces to Baker Street** (1956) (PG) **5.10 Planet of the Apes** (1968) (PG) **7.25 The Animal** (2001) (12) **9.00 Colombiana** (2011) (15) **11.10 Predators** (2010) (15) **1.20 The Girl Who Played with Fire** (2009) (15) **4.00 Close**

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

- 6.00 Home Shopping** **7.00 Motorway Cops: A Traffic Cops Special** **7.45 Storage Hunters** **8.10 Ice Road Truckers** **9.00 American Pickers** **10.00 Top Gear** **1.00 Storage Hunters** **2.00 Ice Road Truckers** **3.00 American Pickers** **4.00 The Money Pit** **5.00 Top Gear** **6.00 Ice Road Truckers** **7.00 American Pickers** **8.00 Top Gear**

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SKY1 SKY: 106

- 7.00 Monkey Life** **8.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue** **9.00 All Aboard: East Coast Trains** **10.00 Hawaii Five-0** **12.00 Road Wars** **1.00 Hawaii Five-0** **3.00 All Aboard: East Coast Trains** **4.00 Futurama** **5.00 Modern Family** **5.30 Futurama** **6.30 The Simpsons** **8.00 Gordonstoun: A Different Class** **9.00 A League of Their Own** **10.00 Bring the Noise** **11.00 NCIS: Los Angeles** **12.00 Hawaii Five-0** **2.00 Road Wars** **3.00 Brit Cops: Rapid Response** **4.00 Nothing to Declare** **4.30 UK Border Force** **5.30 Nothing to Declare**

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

- 6.00 Seinfeld** **8.00 Stargate Atlantis** **9.00 Star Trek: Enterprise** **10.00 The West Wing** **11.00 Cold Case** **12.00 Without a Trace** **1.00 Blue Bloods** **2.00 Stargate Atlantis** **3.00 Star Trek: Enterprise** **4.00 The Petrol Age** **5.00 The West Wing** **6.00 Cold Case** **8.00 Blue Bloods** **10.00 The Last Panthers** **11.00 The Wire** **1.30 Curb Your Enthusiasm** **3.15 Vegas** **4.10 Star Trek: Enterprise** **5.05 The Petrol Age**

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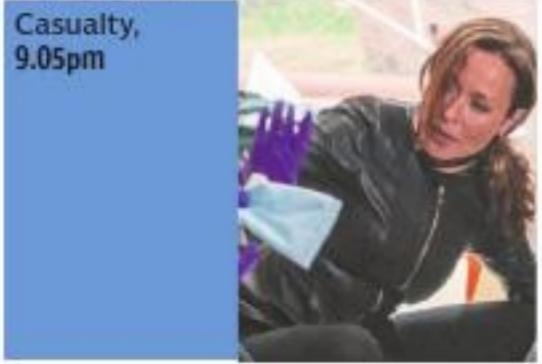
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Saturday December 5th**BBC1**

6.00 Breakfast (S) 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live With guest Will Young. (S) **11.30 Simply Nigella (S)(R)** **12.00 BBC News; Weather (S) 12.10 Football Focus (S) 1.00 Live Snooker: UK Championship** Coverage of the first semi-final from the Barbican Centre in York. (S) **4.30 Final Score A** round-up of this afternoon's football results. (S) **5.20 Celebrity Mastermind** With Andy Day, Ann Cleeves, Tom Rosenthal and Robert Peston. (S)(R) **5.50 BBC News (S) 6.00 BBC Regional News; Weather (S) 6.10 Pointless Celebrities** A business-themed edition of the quiz. (S)

DAYTIME**7**

7.00 Strictly Come Dancing The six remaining couples take part in routines celebrating popular musical numbers from the stage and screen, with the two least successful pairs facing a dance-off tomorrow. (S)

8

8.00 Doctor Who In the series finale, the Doctor faces a bittersweet homecoming as he engages his own people in a struggle that will take him to the very end of time itself. Last in the series. (S)

9

9.05 Casualty Harsh conditions cause unions and divisions in Holby's A&E department. (S) **9.55 The National Lottery Live** The all-important numbers. (S)

10

10.05 BBC News; Weather (S) 10.25 Match of the Day Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches, including Manchester United v West Ham United; (S) **National Lottery Update (S)**

11

11.55 The Apprentice The eight remaining candidates are given the task of acting as estate agents. (S)(R)

AFTER**12**

12.55 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) 1.00 BBC News (S)

DIGITAL**BBC2**

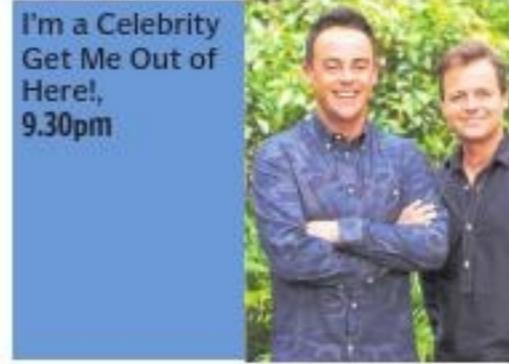
6.10 Race to Super Bowl 50 (S)(R) 7.00 FILM The Amazing Mr Blunden (1972) (U) (S) 8.35 FILM Beverly Hills Chihuahua (2008) (U) (S) 10.00 Ronnie's Animal Crackers (S)(R) 11.00 The Wonder of Animals (S) 11.30 Animal Park (S)(R) 12.00 My Life on a Plate (S)(R) 12.45 Len and Alinsley's Big Food Adventure (S)(R) 2.15 FILM Saboteur (1942) (PG) Alfred Hitchcock's thriller, starring Robert Cummings. (S) **4.00 Flog It! Trade Secrets (S) 4.30 Live Snooker: UK Championship (S) 5.30 The Great Pottery Throw Down (S)(R) 6.30 Dad's Army (S)(R)**

7.00 Live Snooker: UK Championship Coverage of the second semi-final from the Barbican Centre in York, as the tournament widely regarded as the second-most prestigious on the calendar continues. (S)

8.00 The X Factor The contestants face the sixth set of live performances, and with the final looming on the horizon next weekend, the remaining acts must be at the top of their game. (S)

10.00 QI XL Extended edition. With Noel Fielding, Ross Noble and Colin Lane. (S) **10.45 FILM Glory (1989) (15)** Oscar-winning fact-based historical drama. Starring Denzel Washington. (S)

12.40 FILM Come As You Are (2011) (15) Comedy drama, starring Tom Audenaert. **2.25 This Is BBC Two (S)**

ITV

6.00 CITV 9.25 ITV News (S) 9.30 Murder, She Wrote (S)(R) 10.25 Countrywise (S)(R) 10.55 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R) 12.00 ITV News; Weather (S) 12.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R) 1.10 Judge Rinder (S)(R) 2.15 Doc Martin The irascible medic and Louisa embark on a date. (S)(R) **3.20 FILM E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982) (U)** Sci-fi fantasy, with Henry Thomas. (S) **5.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (S) 5.45 Catchphrase** **Celebrity Couples Special** Celebrity pairs "say what they see" in a special edition of the game show. (S) **6.45 ITV News (S)**

7.00 The Chase: Celebrity Special Bradley Walsh invites Kaye Adams, Mark Bright, Jayne Torvill and Richard Arnold to take on ruthless quiz genius the Chaser in an attempt to win thousands of pounds for charity. (S)

9.30 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! Ant and Dec present the celebrity challenge and reveal which celebrity has fallen at the last hurdle, before they crown the King or Queen of the Jungle on tomorrow night's show. (S)

10.35 The Jonathan Ross Show American actor Burt Reynolds, and Star Trek and Mission: Impossible star Simon Pegg join Jonathan in the studio. Includes music by guests Coldplay. (S)

11.40 ITV News; Weather (S) 11.55 The Chase Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S)(R)

12.45 Jackpot247 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (S)(R) 3.40 ITV Nightsscreen

Channel 4

6.10 The King of Queens (S)(R) 7.25 The Grid A review of the year. (S) **7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R) 9.00 The Morning Line** Racing preview from Sandown. (S) **10.00 Frasier** The Crane brothers clash. (S) (R) **11.00 The Big Bang Theory** Howard questions his engineering abilities. (S) **12.25 The Simpsons (S)(R) 1.25 Channel 4 Racing** Nick Luck presents live coverage of seven races. From Sandown Park, races start at 1.55, 2.25, 3.00 and 3.35. From Aintree at 1.40, 2.15 and 3.20. (S) **4.00 Come Dine with Me (S)(R) 6.30 Channel 4 News (S)**

7.00 The Great Polar Bear Feast Documentary highlighting the highly unusual annual gathering of polar bears – normally intensely solitary creatures – on the frozen shores of Barter Island off the Alaskan coast. (S)

8.00 The World's Weirdest Weather Featuring icy waves in the Arctic, earthquakes in England, floods, exploding rocks and lights in the sky that coincide with seismic activity. (S)

9.00 FILM Non-Stop (2014) (12) Premiere. An air marshal on a transatlantic flight searches for a terrorist threatening to kill the passengers one by one. Action thriller, with Liam Neeson and Julianne Moore. (S)

11.10 TFI Friday Guests include Kylie Minogue and Daniel Radcliffe, while music is provided courtesy of Florence and the Machine, Mumford & Sons, and Nathaniel Rateliff & the Night Sweats. (R)

12.10 FILM The Descendants (2011) (15) Drama, starring George Clooney. (S) **2.10 Fargo (S)(R) 3.15 Hollyoaks (S) (R) 5.20 River Cottage Bites (S)(R) 5.35 Kirstie's Vintage Gems (S)(R) 5.40 1001 Things You Should Know (S)(R)**

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 8.55 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S) 9.30 The Saturday Show Topical show looking at the week's headlines. **11.30 FILM A Christmas Promise (2015) (PG) (S) 1.15 FILM Hats Off to Christmas! (2013) (PG) (S) 3.00 FILM A Snow Globe Christmas (2013) (PG)** Premiere. Festive fantasy, starring Alicia Witt. (S) **4.50 FILM The Christmas Spirit (2013) (PG)** Premiere. Fantasy, starring Nicolle Sheridan. (S) **6.35 5 News Weekend (S) 6.40 Funniest Falls, Falls & Flops** Comedy clip show featuring pranks gone wrong. (S)

7.05 Ultimate Police Interceptors Highlights of the documentary following the work of a pursuit team using an array of high-performance cars equipped with technology for catching law-breakers. (S)(R)

8.05 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away Two agents try to evict a community of travellers in a private car park. (S)(R)

9.00 Football League Tonight Kelly Cates and George Riley present extended highlights of the weekend's top matches, including Leeds United v Hull City, as well as all the goals from the Football League. (S)

10.30 Live International Boxing Lenny Daws v Ruben Nieto. Mark Pougatch presents coverage of the bout for the European Super Lightweight title. (S)

12.00 FILM Reservoir Dogs (1992) (18) (S) 1.45 SuperCasino 3.10 Dino Autopsy: T-Rex (S)(R) 4.50 Make It Big (S)(R) 5.15 Make It Big (S)(R) 5.45 Angels of Jarm (S)(R) 5.50 Angels of Jarm (S)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 11.18 FV: 6
6.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.10 Emmerdale** **8.50 Coronation Street** **11.15 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **12.15 The Xtra Factor** **1.20 The Hot Desk; Fleur East** **1.30 Scorpion** **2.25 FILM: The Polar Express (2004) (U) 4.20 You've Been Framed At Christmas!** **4.45 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **5.50 FILM: Lost in Space (1998) (PG)** Sci-fi adventure, starring William Hurt and Gary Oldman. **8.20 FILM: Back to the Future Part II (1989) (PG)** Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Michael J Fox. **10.35 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Now!** **11.35 The Keith Lemon Sketch Show** **12.35 Viral Tap** **1.20 Crazy Beaches** **1.45 Totally Bonkers** Guinness World Records **2.10 Animal Practice** **2.30 Meghan Trainor: The Hot Desk** **2.40 Teleshopping** **5.40 ITV2 Nightsscreen**
ITV3 SKY: 11.19 FV: 10
6.00 Judge Judy **6.20 Where the Heart Is** **8.10 A Christmas Carol** **9.40 The Darling Buds of May** **10.50 Rosemary & Thyme** **12.55 FILM: Carry On Screaming**

(1966) (PG) **2.55 A Touch of Frost** **5.00 FILM: Columbo: Now You See Him** (1976) (PG) **6.55 Doc Martin** **8.00 Midsomer Murders** **10.00 Foyle's War** **12.05 A Touch of Frost** **2.00 On the Buses** **2.30 Teleshopping**
BBC3 SKY: 11.15 FV: 7
7.00 World's Craziest Fools **7.30 Don't Tell the Bride** **8.30 Top Gear** **9.30 Live at the Apollo** **11.00 Family Guy** **1.15 Rent a Cop** **1.45 Josh** **2.15 Live at the Apollo** **3.00 World's Craziest Fools** **3.30 Josh** **4.00 Close**
BBC4 SKY: 11.16 FV: 9
7.00 Empire of the Seas: How the Navy Forged the Modern World **8.00 Britain's Outlaws: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues** **9.00 The Bridge** **11.00 Catching History's Criminals** **The Forensics Story** **12.00 I'm Not In Love: The Story of 10cc** **1.00 Top of the Pops: 1980** **1.40 The Old Grey Whistle Test: 70s Gold** **3.10 The Good Old Days** **3.55 Close**
E4 SKY: 13.16 FV: 28
6.00 Rules of Engagement **7.10 How I Met Your Mother** **8.00 Baby Daddy** **9.00 Melissa & Joey** **10.00 The**

Goldbergs **11.00 Made in Chelsea** **12.00 Couples Come Dine with Me** **2.00 Brooklyn Nine-Nine** **2.30 The Goldbergs** **3.30 FILM: Astro Boy (2009) (PG)** **5.15 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts** **5.30 The Big Bang Theory** **8.00 FILM: The Simpsons Movie (2007) (PG)** Animated comedy, with the voice of Dan Castellaneta. **9.30 Gogglebox** **12.00 The Inbetweeners** **1.00 The IT Crowd** **2.00 First Dates** **3.00 Rules of Engagement** **3.45 The New Normal** **4.30 Revenge**
MORE4 SKY: 13.16 FV: 14
8.55 Gadget Man **9.35 Kirstie's Vintage Gems** **9.55 FILM: Thunder Bay (1953) (U)** **12.00 Four in a Bed** **2.40 FILM: It's a Wonderful Life (1946) (U)** Fantasy drama, starring James Stewart. **5.15 Kirstie's Homemade Christmas** **6.20 Grand Designs** **7.30 Father Ted** **9.00 It Was Alright in the 1970s** **10.05 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown** **12.15 Father Ted** **1.50 Gadget Man** **2.20 The Returned** **3.55 Close**
FILM4 SKY: 31.16 FV: 15
11.00 The Three Stooges (2012) (PG) **1.00 Rat Race**

(2001) (12) **3.10 The Cat Returns** (2002) (U) **4.45 The Rocketeer** (1991) (PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bill Campbell. **6.55 One Day (2011) (12)** **9.00 Immortals** (2011) (15) Mythological adventure, starring Henry Cavill. **11.10 Stoker** (2013) (18) Thriller, starring Mia Wasikowska. **1.10 The Girl Who Kicked the Hornets' Nest** (2010) (15) **4.00 Close**

DAVE SKY: 11.11 FV: 12
6.00 Home Shopping **7.10 Red Bull Rampage** **8.00 American Pickers** **10.00 Red Bull X-Fighters** **11.00 Lizard Lick Towing** **12.00 Storage Hunters** **12.30 The Money Pit** **1.30 Storage Hunters UK** **2.30 Storage Hunters** **4.00 FILM: Star Trek V: The Final Frontier** (1989) (PG) **6.05 FILM: Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country** (1991) (PG) Sci-fi adventure, starring William Shatner. **8.20 Red Dwarf** **9.00 Have I Got a Bit More Old News for You** **11.00 Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled** **12.00 FILM: Wayne's World (1992) (PG)** **2.00 Live at the Electric** **3.05 Red Bull Rampage** **4.00 Home Shopping**

SKY1 SKY: 10.6
6.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? **7.00 Ashley Banjo's Secret Street Crew** **8.00 Game Changers** **8.30 The Fantasy Football Club** **10.00 Soccer AM** **12.00 The F1 Show** **1.00 Football's Funniest Moments** **1.30 Futurama** **5.00 Supergirl** **6.00 The Simpsons** **7.00 Gordonstoun: A Different Class** **8.00 Landscape Artist of the Year** **9.00 NCIS: Los Angeles** **10.00 You, Me and the Apocalypse** **11.00 The Force: Manchester** **12.00 Britcam: Emergency on Our Streets** **2.00 Brit Cops: Rapid Response** **3.00 Stargate Atlantis**

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 10.8
6.00 Friday Night Lights **7.00 Seinfeld** **9.00 Star Trek: Enterprise** **2.00 David Attenborough's Galapagos** **3.00 Blue Bloods** **7.00 Without a Trace** **9.00 Game of Thrones** **10.10 Ten Billion** **11.45 How To Change The World** **1.45 Black Mass** **Benedict Cumberbatch & Johnny Depp** **On Black Mass** **2.00 Curb Your Enthusiasm** **4.00 Seinfeld**



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Sunday December 6th**BBC1**

Antiques Roadshow, 8pm

**BBC2**

Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights, 6pm

**ITV**

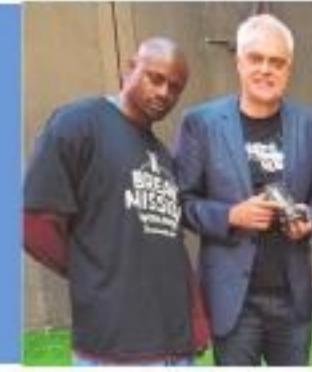
The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor, 4.30pm

**Channel 4**

Gogglebox, 10.05pm

**Channel 5**

The Gadget Show, 11.40am

**DAYTIME****7****8****9****10****11****AFTER 12****DIGITAL**

6.00 Breakfast (S) **7.25 Match of the Day** (S)(R) **9.00 The Andrew Marr Show** (S) **10.00 Fern Britton Meets Linford Christie** (S) **11.00 Sunday Politics** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News; Weather** (S) **1.15 Escape to the Country** (S) **1.45 FA Cup Final Score** (S) **4.15 Songs of Praise** A special episode for St Nicholas' Day. (S) **4.50 The Hunt** Predators living in deserts and grasslands. (S)(R) **5.50 BBC News** (S) **6.10 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **6.20 Countryfile** Exploring some of Scotland's most remote scenic areas. (S)

7.20 Strictly Come Dancing: The Results The results of last night's musicals themed episode. (S)

8.00 Antiques Roadshow Fiona Bruce presents the show from the Queen's private residence at Balmoral, where items brought in to be valued include a ceramic pot made by Pablo Picasso. (S)

9.00 The Hunt How predators hunt in coastal waters, where everything is in constant motion and opportunities have to be taken quickly. Featuring dolphins, octopuses and fishing wolves. (S)

10.00 BBC News (S) **10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **10.30 Match of the Day 2** Highlights of Newcastle United v Liverpool. (S)

11.20 Citizen Khan Amjad's mother threatens to take her son and Shazia back to Bradford. (S)(R) **11.50 The Graham Norton Show** With Chris Hemsworth. (S)(R)

12.35 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.40 BBC News** (S)

6.15 The A to Z of TV Gardening (S) (R) **7.00 Big Dreams Small Spaces** A widow wants to create a cottage-style garden in Swindon. (S)(R) **8.00 Countryfile** (S)(R) **9.00 An Island Parish: Falklands** (S)(R) **9.30 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites** Highlights of the series. (S) **11.00 Len and Ainsley's Big Food Adventure** (S)(R) **11.45 Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip** (S)(R) **12.15 MOTD2 Extra** (S) **1.00 Live Snooker: UK Championship** Coverage of the opening session of the final from York. (S) **6.00 Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights** Action from the weekend's second-round matches. (S)

7.00 Live Snooker: UK Championship Coverage of the concluding session of the final from the Barbican Centre in York. Subsequent programmes are subject to change. (S)

6.00 CITV 9.25 ITV News (S) **9.30 Murder, She Wrote** Jessica fights to clear Grady of a woman's murder. (S)(R) **10.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) (R) **12.35 ITV News; Weather** (S) **12.45 The Jeremy Kyle Show** Guests air their differences. (S)(R) **1.50 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S)(R) **2.55 The X Factor** The would-be stars face their sixth live show. (S)(R) **4.30 FILM The Mummy: Tomb of the Dragon Emperor** (2008) (12) Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Brendan Fraser. (S) **6.30 ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) **6.45 ITV News** (S)

7.00 Jekyll and Hyde Part one of two. Robert struggles to control his transformations, and joins forces with a vigilante to investigate a series of strange killings in exchange for Ravi's freedom. (S)

8.00 The X Factor Caroline Flack and Olly Murs present the results of the weekend's viewers' vote, deciding which acts will be eliminated and who will be performing in next week's final. (S)

9.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! Ant and Dec present the final of the celebrity challenge, as the last remaining famous faces compete to be crowned this year's king or queen of the jungle. Last in the series. (S)

10.35 ITV News; Weather (S) **10.50 Premiership Rugby Union** Action from the latest round of fixtures in England's top flight, including Worcester Warriors v Leicester Tigers. (S)

11.50 Off Their Rockers Barry receives a few hygiene tips. (S)(R)

12.15 Jackpot247 3.00 Motorsport UK (S) **3.50 ITV Nightscreen 5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

6.10 The King of Queens (S)(R) **6.35 Challenge Mallorca** Action from the long-distance triathlon. (S) **7.05 World Superbike Review of the Year** (S) **7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.30 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.30 Sunday Brunch** With Wretch 32 and Carlos Acosta. (S) **12.45 The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **2.35 The Simpsons** (S) (R) **3.35 FILM Journey to the Center of the Earth** (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. (S) **5.25 FILM The Jungle Book** (1967) (U) Premiere. Disney animated adventure, with the voice of Phil Harris. (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S) **7.30 World's Weirdest Homes** Charlie Luxton presents a guide to 20 of the most unusual residences ever built. (S)

8.10 FILM Bulletproof Monk (2003) (12) A mysterious Tibetan monk battles modern-day Nazis while training a thief to be his successor. Martial arts thriller, starring Chow Yun-Fat. Edited for violence. (S)

9.55 5 News Weekend (S)

10.00 FILM Django Unchained (2012) (18) Premiere. An escaped slave becomes a bounty hunter and fights to rescue his wife from a sadistic plantation owner. Quentin Tarantino's Western, with Jamie Foxx. (S)

11.15 SuperCasino 3.10 Ultimate Police Interceptors (S)(R) **4.00 House Doctor** (S)(R) **4.25 Make It Big** (S)(R) **4.50 Make It Big** (S)(R) **5.15 Make It Big** (S)(R) **5.45 Angels of Jarm** (S)(R) **5.50 Angels of Jarm** (S)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 11.8 FV: 6
6.00 Emmerdale **8.35 Coronation Street** **11.00 The X Factor** **12.35 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **1.35 You've Been Framed Christmas!** **2.35 Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas** **3.35 FILM: The Polar Express** (2004) (U) Animated adventure, with the voice of Tom Hanks. **5.35 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** **6.40 FILM: Back to the Future Part III** (1990) (PG) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Michael J Fox. **9.00 The Xtra Factor** **10.00 You've Been Framed At Christmas!** **10.35 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Now!** **11.35 Plebs** **12.35 FILM: The Faculty** (1998) (15) **2.30 Teleshopping**

ITV3 SKY: 11.9 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10 On the Buses** **7.05 A Christmas Carol** **8.35 Heartbeat** **10.45 A Touch of Frost** **12.50 FILM: Columbo: Now You See Him** (1976) (PG) **2.50 Rosemary & Thyme** **3.50 Wycliffe** **4.55 Agatha Christie's Marple** **7.00 Sunday Night at the Palladium** **8.00 Lewis** **10.00 FILM: The Constant Gardener** (2005)

(15) Political thriller, with Ralph Fiennes and Rachel Weisz. **12.30 FILM: Till Death Us Do Part** (1969) (12) **2.25 Wycliffe** **3.20 ITV3 Nightscreen** **3.40 Emmerdale**

BBC3 SKY: 11.5 FV: 7
7.00 Don't Tell the Bride **8.00 Top Gear** **9.00 Russell Howard's Good News** **9.30 FILM: 8 Mile** (2002) (15) Drama, starring Eminem. **11.15 Family Guy** **12.00 American Dad!** **12.25 Family Guy** **12.45 Josh** **1.15 People Just Do Nothing** **3.15 Josh** **3.45 Sunny** **D 4.00 Close**

BBC4 SKY: 11.6 FV: 9
7.00 Concerto at the BBC Proms **7.25 FILM:** **Pina: Legend of Dance** (2011) (U) Premiere. Wim Wenders' profile of choreographer Pina Bausch.

9.00 The Golden Age of Steam Railways **10.00 FILM: Easy Money** (2010) (15) Premiere. Crime thriller, starring Joel Kinnaman. **12.00 Britain's Natural World: The Unnatural History of London** **1.00 Britain's Deadliest Rail Disaster: Quintinshill** **2.00 Horizon: Are We Alone in the Universe?** **2.50 Natural World: Polar**

Bears and Grizzlies – Bears on Top of the World **3.40 Close**

E4 SKY: 13.6 FV: 28

6.00 Rules of Engagement **6.20 How I Met Your Mother** **7.00 Baby Daddy** **8.00 Melissa & Joey** **9.00 Made in Chelsea** **10.00 Hollyoaks** **12.35 FILM: City of Ember** (2008) (PG) **2.25 Couples Come Dine with Me** **4.30 The Big Bang Theory** **9.00 FILM: Rush Hour 3** (2007) (12) Action comedy sequel, starring Jackie Chan and Chris Tucker. **10.45 The Inbetweeners** **11.50 The IT Crowd** **12.55 FILM: The Sitter** (2011) (15) **2.30 How I Met Your Mother** **3.15 Hollyoaks**

MORE4 SKY: 13.6 FV: 14

8.55 Kirstie's Homemade Christmas **10.00 George Clarke's Amazing Christmas Spaces** **12.05 Jimmy's Grow Your Own Christmas Dinner** **1.10 Jamie's Super Food** **2.50 Four in a Bed** **5.25 Come Dine with Me** **8.00 Car SOS** **9.00 The World's Weirdest Weather** **10.00 Is Our Weather Getting Worse?** **11.05 24 Hours in A&E** **12.10 Ramsay's Hotel Hell** **1.05 Is Our Weather**

Getting Worse? **2.10 Salvage SOS** **3.05 Gadget Man** **3.35 Close**

FILM4 SKY: 31.5 FV: 15

11.00 Destry Rides Again (1939) (U) **1.00 Kiki's Delivery Service** (1989) (PG) **3.10 Porridge** (1979) (PG) Prison comedy, starring Ronnie Barker. **5.00 The Dark Crystal** (1982) (PG) **6.50 The Three Musketeers** (2011) (12) Swashbuckling adventure, starring Logan Lerman. **9.00 '71** (2014) (15) Thriller, starring Jack O'Connell. **10.55 An Officer and a Gentleman** (1982) (15) Romantic drama, starring Richard Gere and Debra Winger. **1.25 Summer in February** (2013) (15) **3.50 Close**

DAVE SKY: 11.1 FV: 12

6.00 Home Shopping **7.10 Traffic Cops** **8.00 Ice Road Truckers** **1.00 Storage Hunters** **2.00 Traffic Cops** **3.00 Top Gear** **4.00 Dynamo: Magician Impossible** **5.00 The Indestructibles** **6.00 Red Bull X-Fighters** **7.00 FILM: Wayne's World** (1992) (PG) Comedy, starring Mike Myers and Dana Carvey. **9.00 Blackadder's Most**

Cunning Moments **11.00 Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish** **12.00 QI** **1.00 Would I Lie to You?** **1.40 Not Going Out** **2.20 Only Connect** **3.25 Lizard Lick** **Towing 400 Home Shopping**

SKY1 SKY: 10.6
6.00 Hour of Power **7.00 Monkey Life** **9.00 Supergirl** **10.00 All Aboard: East Coast Trains** **11.00 WWE: Raw** **12.00 Bring the Noise** **1.00 Futurama** **2.30 Modern Family** **5.00 The Simpsons** **5.30 The Muppets** **6.00 Modern Family** **6.30 The Simpsons** **8.00 Duck Quacks Don't Echo** **9.00 Micky Flanagan's Detour de France** **10.00 Stop, Search, Seize** **11.00 Ross Kemp: A Kenya Special** **12.30 Road Wars** **1.00 Live NFL** **4.30 Road Wars** **5.00 Stargate Atlantis**

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 10.8

6.00 Friday Night Lights **8.00 Seinfeld** **9.00 The Petrol Age** **10.00 The West Wing** **3.00 Without a Trace** **5.00 Blue Bloods** **9.00 The Affair** **10.10 The Last Panthers** **11.10 Bridge of Spies: Sky Movies Special** **11.40 Hunderby** **3.15 The Leftovers** **4.20 Seinfeld**

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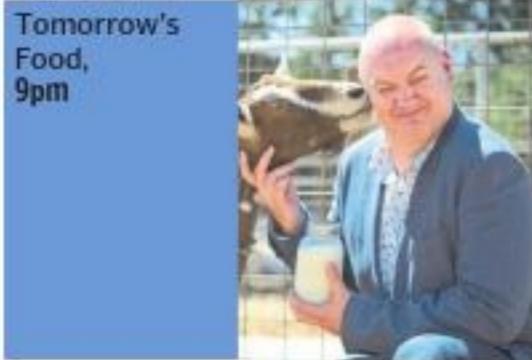


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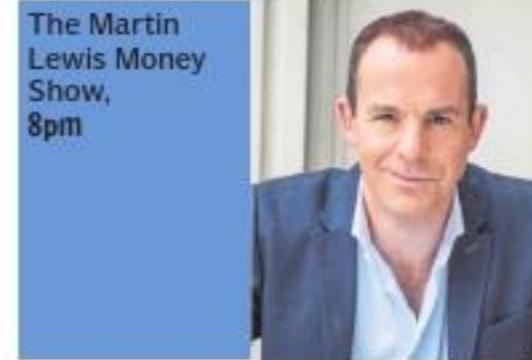
Tomorrow's Food, 9pm

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Live at the Apollo, 10pm

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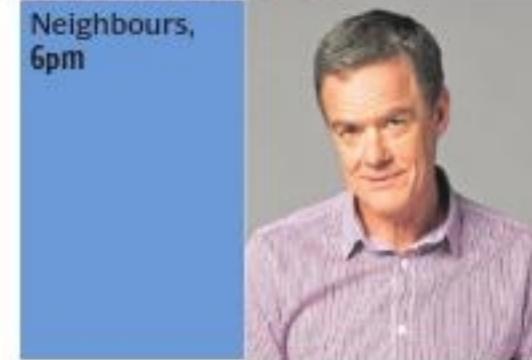
The Martin Lewis Money Show, 8pm

Channel 4



Fargo, 10pm

Channel 5



Neighbours, 6pm

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6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.15 Sister Rita to the Rescue** (S) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **11.00 Oxford Street Revealed** (S) **11.45 Family Finders** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S) **1.00 BBC News at One; Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2.15 The Doctor Blake Mysteries** A surgeon is found dead on his own operating table. (S) **3.10 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **3.40 James Martin - Home Comforts at Christmas** (S) **4.25 Flog It!** (S)(R) **5.15 Pointless** (S)(R) **6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News Programmes** (S)

7.00 The One Show Hosted by Alex Jones and Matt Baker. (S) **7.30 Fake Britain** The counterfeit bike parts that are risking the safety of Britain's cyclists; (S) BBC News; Regional News (S)

8.00 EastEnders Kathy is stunned to find Jane lying at the bottom of the stairs. (S) **8.30 The Taliban Hunters - Panorama** A police team fighting the Taliban in Karachi, Pakistan. (S)

9.00 Tomorrow's Food Angela Hartnett heads to Holland to investigate the future of the burger, while Chris Bavin visits America to learn how vegetables can be grown without sunlight. Last in the series. (S)

10.00 BBC News at Ten (S) **10.25 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **10.35 Have I Got a Bit More News for You** Alexander Armstrong hosts an extended edition, with Alex Salmond and Sara Pascoe. (S)

11.20 Doctor in the House Dr Chatterjee tries to improve the diet and lifestyle of a fast food-loving family from Shropshire. Last in the series. (S)(R)

12.20 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.25 BBC News** (S)

6.15 Fake Britain (S)(R) **7.00 Oxford Street Revealed** (S)(R) **7.45 Flog It! Trade Secrets** (S) **8.15 Sign Zone: Caught Red Handed** (S)(R) **8.45 Sign Zone: Thief Trackers** (S)(R) **9.15 Victoria Derbyshire** (S) **11.00 BBC News** (S) **12.00 Daily Politics** (S) **1.00 Cash in the Attic** (S)(R) **1.45 Pressure Pad** (S)(R) **2.30 The Great British Bake Off** (S)(R) **3.30 The Great Antiques Map of Britain** (S)(R) **4.00 The World's Most Photographed** (S) (R) **4.30 Wogan: The Best Of** (S)(R) **5.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **6.00 Eggheads** (S)(R) **6.30 Strictly Come Dancing - It Takes Two** (S)

7.00 MOTD Live: FA Cup Third Round Draw Mark Chapman presents coverage from Cardiff City Stadium. (S) **7.30 Only Connect** The Scientists take on the String Section in the first quarter-final. (S)

8.00 University Challenge Two more teams battle it out for a place in the quarter-finals. (S) **8.30 Simply Nigella** Recipes include griddled batteste steak, and a lemon pavlova. Last in the series. (S)

9.00 London Spy Danny finally discovers the shocking truth about what happened to Alex, and what really took place that night in the attic. Thriller starring Ben Whishaw. Last in the series. (S)

10.00 Live at the Apollo Katherine Ryan hosts, with guests Henning Wehn and James Acaster. (S) **10.30 Newsnight** (S)

11.10 Weather (S) **11.15 Ireland with Simon Reeve** Part two of two. Simon visits Belfast for the July 12 parades. (S)(R)

12.15 Sign Zone: The Apprentice (S) (R) **1.15 The Great Pottery Throw Down** (S)(R) **2.15 This Is BBC Two** (S)

6.00 Good Morning Britain (S) **8.30 Lorraine** (S) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) **10.30 This Morning** (S) **12.30 Loose Women** (S) **1.30 ITV Lunchtime News**; Weather (S) **1.55 ITV Regional News**; Weather (S) **2.00 Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (S) **3.00 1000 Heartbeats** Quiz show, hosted by Vernon Kay. (S) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (S) **4.00 Tipping Point** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) **5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S) **6.00 ITV Regional News**; Weather (S) **6.30 ITV Evening News**; Weather (S)

7.00 Emmerdale Paddy accidentally exposes Rhona's secret. (S) **7.30 Coronation Street** Rob's return spells trouble for Tracy. (S)

8.00 The Martin Lewis Money Show Details on how to get the cheapest EasyJet flights for next year. (S) **8.30 Coronation Street** Rob throws Tracy into turmoil. (S)

9.00 Las Vegas with Trevor McDonald New series. The broadcaster explores the American city, meeting some of its 1.3million inhabitants as well as people who have won and lost big in the casinos. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S) **10.30 ITV Regional News**; Weather (S) **10.40 Travel Guides** The tourists stay closer to home as they sample what the Lake District has to offer. Last in the series. (S)(R)

11.40 Murder, She Wrote The sheriff's brother-in-law is murdered. (S) (R)

12.30 Jackpot247 **3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R) **3.55 ITV Nightscreen** **5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

6.00 Countdown (S)(R) **6.45 3rd Rock from the Sun** (S)(R) **7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **9.00 Frasier** (S) (R) **10.00 Undercover Boss USA** (S) **11.00 Jamie's Comfort Food** (S)(R) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (S) **12.05 Come Dine with Me** (S)(R) **2.10 Deal or No Deal** Beat-the-banker game show. (S) **3.10 Countdown** With Dictionary Corner guest Nicki Chapman. (S) **4.00 Posh Pawnbrokers** Dan takes a spin on a quad bike. (S) **5.00 Couples Come Dine with Me** Three couples from Reading compete for the cash prize of £1,000. (S) **6.00 The Simpsons** (S) **6.30 Hollyoaks** (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S) **7.30 Turner Prize** Live coverage of the ceremony from Glasgow's Tramway arts venue. (S)

8.00 Low Pay Britain: Channel 4 Dispatches Seyi Rhodes investigates the training programmes of high-profile companies. (S) **8.30 The Shopper's Guide to Saving Money** (S)

9.00 Hunting the Paedophiles: Inside the National Crime Agency The investigation into an online child-abuse case. (S)

10.00 Fargo Hanzee gets busy searching for Peggy and Ed, while Dodd finds himself in unfamiliar territory. Black comedy drama, starring Kirsten Dunst, Jesse Plemons and Jeffrey Donovan. (S)

11.15 The World's Most Famous Train Documentary following the lives of staff and passengers on the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express as the train makes its way through Europe. (S)(R)

12.15 Ramsay's Hotel Hell (S)(R) **1.00 The Undateables** (S)(R) **1.55 FILM Play** (2011) (15) **3.55 Four Rooms** (S) **4.45 Location, Location, Location** (S) (R) **5.45 River Cottage Bites** (S)(R)

6.00 Milkshake! **9.15 The Wright Stuff** Debate on issues of the day. **11.45 FILM A Snow Globe** **Christmas** (2013) (PG) Festive fantasy, starring Alicia Witt. (S) **1.30 5 News Lunchtime** (S) **1.35 Neighbours** (S) **2.05 FILM A Perfect Christmas** (2012) (PG) Festive fantasy, starring Claire Coffee. (S) **3.45 FILM Lucky Christmas** (2011) (PG) Romantic drama, with Elizabeth Berkley and Jason Gray-Stanford. (S) **5.30 5 News at 5** (S) **6.00 Neighbours** Paul admits to Steph that he is the person harassing her. (S)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (S)

7.00 The Gadget Show Christmas Special The team presents a guide to the best festive gadgets. Last in the series; (S) **5 News Update** (S)

8.00 Impractical Jokers Q's father joins the team to create more mischief. (S) **8.30 Impractical Jokers** The guys try to sell diamonds to unsuspecting couples; (S) **5 News Update** (S)

9.00 Benefit Beauty Queens People relying on state welfare who aspire to glamorous lifestyles, including a Portsmouth woman desperate for her three children to take the beauty pageant world by storm. (S)

10.00 Danger: Teen Bingers One-off programme focusing on young people who are obese, including a 14-year-old who is twice her recommended BMI and has been offered a gastric band. (S)

11.00 Britain's Craziest Christmas Lights Noddy Holder narrates a documentary following four households as they transform their homes into electric winter wonderlands. (S)(R)

12.00 Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Wild UK (S)(R) **12.50 SuperCasino** **3.10 Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild** (S)(R) **4.00 Wildlife SOS** (S)(R) **4.25 HouseBusters** (S)(R) **4.45 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5.10 House Doctor** (S)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 McBusted: The Hot Desk **6.10 Totally Bonkers** Christie's Marple **10.00 Law & Order: UK** **11.00 Cold Blood** **12.35 Where the Heart Is** **1.35 Judge Judy** **2.15 ITV3 Nightscreen** **2.30 Teleshopping**

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7

7.00 Top Gear **8.00 Don't Tell the Bride** **9.00 Reggie Yates's Extreme UK: Gay & Under Attack** **10.00 EastEnders** **10.30 Bad Education** **11.00 American Dad!** **11.45 Family Guy** **12.30 Reggie Yates's Extreme UK: Gay & Under Attack** **1.30 Bad Education** **2.00 Josh 2.30 Rent a Cop** **3.00 Reggie Yates's Extreme UK: Gay & Under Attack** **4.00 Close**

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 World News Today; Weather **7.30 Railway Walks** **8.30 The Quizeum** **9.00 Britain's Outlaws**; Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues **3.50 Close**

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Revenge **6.45 Charmed** **8.30 Hollyoaks** **9.00 Rules of Engagement** **10.00 Melissa & Joey** **11.00 Charmed** **1.00 How I Met Your Mother** **2.00 The Big Bang Theory** **3.00 Melissa & Joey** **4.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **5.00 How I Met Your Mother** **6.00 The Big Bang Theory** **7.00 Hollyoaks** **7.30 A to Z** **8.00 The Big Bang Theory** **9.00 Made in Chelsea** **10.00 Scream Queens** **11.00 Gogglebox** **1.10 The Big Bang Theory** **2.05 Made in Chelsea** **3.00 Scream Queens** **3.50 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **4.35 Revenge**

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Grand Designs **10.00 Building the Dream** **11.05 River Cottage Bites** **11.25 FILM: The Man from Colorado** (1948) (PG) **1.25 Time Team** **3.35 Nazi Megastructures** **4.40 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away** **5.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** **6.50 Building the Dream** **7.55 Grand Designs** **9.00 The Supervet: Christmas in the Clinic** **10.00 24 Hours in A&E** **12.10**

Outlaws: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues **3.50 Close**

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Demetrius and the Gladiators (1954) (PG) **1.05 The Long Gray Line** (1955) (U) **4.00 The Cowboys** (1972) (PG) **6.35 The Women** (2008) (12) **9.00 Taken 2** (2012) (12) **10.50 Mud** (2012) (12) **1.25 Office Space** (1999) (15) **3.30 Close**

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

6.00 Home Shopping **7.00 Flip Men** **7.20 Storage Hunters** **8.10 Ice Road Truckers** **9.00 American Pickers** **10.00 Storage Hunters UK** **11.00 Top Gear** **1.00 Storage Hunters** **2.00 Ice Road Truckers** **3.00 American Pickers** **4.00 Top Gear** **5.00 Red Bull X-Fighters** **6.00 Ice Road Truckers** **7.00 8.00 Blackadder's Most Cunning Moments** **10.40 Crackanory** **1.50 QI** **XL 2.50 Would I Lie to You?** **3.25 Lizard Lick Towing** **4.00 Home Shopping**

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 The Dog Whisperer **7.00 Monkey Life** **8.00 RSPCA Animal Rescue** **9.00 All Aboard: East Coast Trains** **10.00 Hawaii Five-0** **12.00 The Last Ship** **2.00 Hawaii Five-0** **4.00 Futurama** **5.00 Modern Family** **5.30 Futurama** **6.30 The Simpsons** **8.00 The Muppets** **8.30 Modern Family** **9.00 Trolled** **9.30 After Hours** **10.00 Bring the Noise** **11.00 Hawaii Five-0** **1.00 The Force: Manchester** **2.00 Road Wars** **3.00 Brit Cops: Rapid Response** **4.00 Nothing to Declare** **5.00 UK Border Force**

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 Seinfeld **8.00 Stargate: Atlantis** **9.00 Star Trek: Enterprise** **10.00 The West Wing** **11.00 Cold Case** **1.00 Blue Bloods** **3.00 Star Trek: Enterprise** **4.00 Urban Secrets** **5.00 The West Wing** **6.00 Cold Case** **7.00 Blue Bloods** **9.00 Without a Trace** **10.00 The Leftovers** **11.10 FILM: Phil Spector** (2013) (15) **1.00 The Knick** **2.05 Cold Case** **3.00 Curb Your Enthusiasm** **4.10 Star Trek:**

Tuesday December 8th

BBC1

Imagine: Carlos Acosta – Cuba Calls, 10.35pm



DAYTIME

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6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.15 Sister Rita to the Rescue** (S) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S) **11.00 Oxford Street Revealed** (S) **11.45 Family Finders** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News at One**; **Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2.15 The Doctor Blake Mysteries** A hotel owner finds a body in one of the rooms. (S) **3.10 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **3.40 James Martin – Home Comforts at Christmas** (S) **4.25 Flog It!** (S)(R) **5.15 Pointless** (S)(R) **6.00 BBC News at Six**; **Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S)

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7.00 The One Show Live chat and topical reports. (S)

7.30 EastEnders Kathy considers telling Ian the truth about what happened to Jane; (S) **BBC News; Regional News** (S)

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8.00 Holby City Jesse is forced to relive tragic events from the past when he treats the seriously ill sister of a former patient, while Fran questions a decision made by Jac. (S)

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10.00 BBC News at Ten (S) **10.25 BBC Regional News and Weather**; (S) **National Lottery Update** (S) **10.35 Imagine: Carlos Acosta – Cuba Calls** (S)

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11.45 Live at the Apollo Katherine Ryan hosts, with guests Henning Wehn and James Acaster. (S)(R)

AFTER

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12.15 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.20 BBC News** (S)

BBC2

Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two, 6.30pm



6.15 Oxford Street Revealed (S)(R) **7.00 James Martin – Home Comforts at Christmas** (S)(R) **7.45 Flog It! Trade Secrets** (S) **8.15 Sign Zone: Ireland with Simon Reeve** (S)(R) **9.15 Victoria Derbyshire** (S) **11.00 BBC News** (S) **12.00 Daily Politics** (S) **1.00 Cash In the Attic** (S)(R) **1.45 Pressure Pad** (S)(R) **2.30 The Great British Bake Off** (S)(R) **3.30 The Great Antiques Map of Britain** (S)(R) **4.00 The World's Most Photographed** (S)(R) **4.30 Wogan: The Best Of** (S)(R) **5.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **6.00 Eggheads** (S)(R) **6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two** (S)

7.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip The heirloom-hunting challenge returns, with Downton Abbey star Phyllis Logan and her actor husband Kevin McNally travelling through Kent to an auction in Greenwich. (S)(R)

8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals The 12 remaining chefs cook off against each other for the first time and have to create one outstanding dish in a high-pressure invention Test as they vie to reach the next round. (S)

9.00 The Great Pottery Throw Down The four remaining potters compete in the final and their challenges include making an original 12-piece tea set out of porcelain. Last in the series. (S)

10.00 Mock the Week With Ed Byrne, Sara Pascoe, Ed Gamble and Nathan Caton. (S)(R)

10.30 Newsnight (S)

11.10 Weather (S) **11.15 Race to Super Bowl 50** Action from week 13 of the regular season. (S)

12.05 This Is Tottenham (S)(R) **1.05 Sign Zone: The Hunt** (S)(R) **2.05 The Naked Choir** with Gareth Malone (S)(R) **3.05 This Is BBC Two** (S)

ITV

Emmerdale, 7pm



6.00 Good Morning Britain (S) **8.30 Lorraine** (S) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) **10.30 This Morning** (S) **12.30 Loose Women** (S) **1.30 ITV Lunchtime News**; **Weather** (S) **1.55 ITV Regional News**; **Weather** (S) **2.00 Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (S) **3.00 1000 Heartbeats** Quiz show, hosted by Vernon Kay. (S) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (S) **4.00 Tipping Point** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) **5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S) **6.00 ITV Regional News**; **Weather** (S) **6.30 ITV Evening News**; **Weather** (S)

7.00 Emmerdale Paddy panics when Rhona takes his phone by mistake. (S) **7.30 The Royal Variety Performance 2015** Jack Whitehall hosts the star-studded event from the Royal Albert Hall, with performances by Elton John, Kylie Minogue, One Direction, Jeff Lynne's ELO, the Corrs and many more. (S)

9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special Jimmy Carr hosts a festive edition of the comedy panel quiz, with Johnny Vegas joining Sean Lock as they take on Jon Richardson and Katherine Ryan.

10.05 ITV News; **Weather** (S) **10.35 ITV Regional News**; **Weather** (S) **10.45 The Jonathan Ross Show** American actor Burt Reynolds, and Star Trek and Mission: Impossible star Simon Pegg join Jonathan in the studio. (S)(R)

11.50 Freeze Out Quiz show on ice, hosted by Mark Durden-Smith. (S)(R)

12.40 Jackpot247 **3.00 Loose Women** (R) **3.45 ITV Nightscreen** **5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

11.00 Tattoo Fixers Sketch meets Gaz, who has his best friend's initials in a rather intimate place, and the whole team is shocked by the cover-up he wants. (S)(R)

12.05 Poker (S) **1.00 KOTV Boxing Weekly** (S) **1.25 Gillette World Sport** (S) **1.55 The Grid** (S)(R) **2.20 World Superbike Review of the Year** (S)(R) **2.50 Challenge Mallorca** (S)(R) **3.15 You Deserve This House** (S)(R)

Channel 4

Kirstie's Handmade Christmas, 8pm



7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond (S) (R) **9.00 Frasier** (S)(R) **10.00 Undercover Boss USA** (S) **11.00 Jamie's Comfort Food** (S)(R) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (S) **12.05 Come Dine with Me** (S)(R) **2.10 Deal or No Deal** Beat-the-banker game show. (S) **3.10 Countdown** (S) **4.00 Posh** **Pawnbrokers** An emerald ring catches the eyes of pawnbroking brothers Charlie and Patrick. (S) **5.00 Couples Come Dine with Me** (S) **6.00 The Simpsons** Homer becomes the new voice of American politics. (S) **6.30 Hollyoaks** Pete encourages Cleo to keep quiet. (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S) **7.55 The Political Slot** Political comment from SNP MP Brendan O'Hara MP. (S)

8.00 Kirstie's Handmade Christmas Kirstie Allsopp visits Austria to celebrate the 50th anniversary of The Sound of Music. (S)

9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special Jimmy Carr hosts a festive edition of the comedy panel quiz, with Johnny Vegas joining Sean Lock as they take on Jon Richardson and Katherine Ryan.

10.00 That's So Last Century New series. Celebrities reacquaint themselves with the gadgets and games of their childhoods, including lo-fi video games, 35mm cameras and a television with no remote control. (S)

11.00 Tattoo Fixers Sketch meets Gaz, who has his best friend's initials in a rather intimate place, and the whole team is shocked by the cover-up he wants. (S)(R)

12.05 Poker (S) **1.00 KOTV Boxing Weekly** (S) **1.25 Gillette World Sport** (S) **1.55 The Grid** (S)(R) **2.20 World Superbike Review of the Year** (S)(R) **2.50 Challenge Mallorca** (S)(R) **3.15 You Deserve This House** (S)(R)

Channel 5

CSI: Cyber, 10pm



6.00 Milkshake! **9.15 The Wright Stuff** Matthew Wright and guests talk about the issues of the day. **11.45 Film Fantasy**, starring Nicollette Sheridan. (S) **1.30 5 News Lunchtime** (S) **1.35 Neighbours** (S) **2.05 Film All I Want for Christmas** (2013) (12) Festive fantasy, starring Melissa Sagemiller. (S) **3.45 Film A Bride for Christmas** (2012) (PG) Romantic drama, with Arielle Kebbel and Andrew Walker. (S) **5.30 5 News at 5** (S) **6.00 Neighbours** Brad and Terese decide that he should move out. (S)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (S)

7.00 Kids' Hospital at Christmas Documentary following life at the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital over the festive season. An eight-year-old girl prepares to undergo a kidney transplant; (S)(R) **5 News Update** (S)

8.00 Crackers About Christmas Eccentric people who are always in the festive holiday spirit; (S) **5 News Update** (S)

9.00 Meet the Psychopaths New series. Documentary exploring the nature of psychopaths, beginning with case studies of serial killers Joanna Dennehy and Dennis Nilsen and murderer John Cannan. (S)

10.00 CSI: Cyber The team tracks down a killer who hacks into online games. (S)

10.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A businessman's wife is raped and kidnapped during a video call with her husband. (S)

11.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit The detectives try to track down a serial rapist. (S)

12.40 SuperCasino **3.10 GPs: Behind Closed Doors** (S)(R) **4.00 Wildlife SOS** (S)(R) **4.25 Divine Designs** (S)(R) **4.45 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5.10 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5.35 House Doctor** (S)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.10 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.35 Psych** **7.20 Emmerdale** **7.50 Coronation Street** **8.50 The Cube** **9.50 Psych** **10.40 All Star Family Fortunes** **Christmass Special** **11.45 You've Been Framed!** **12.10 Emmerdale** **12.40 Coronation Street** **1.40 Catchphrase** **Celebrity Special** **2.40 The Jeremy Kyle Show** **6.00 Judge Rinder** **7.00 You've Been Framed!** **8.00 Two and a Half Men** **9.00 FILM: The Dark Knight** (2008) (12) **12.00 Two and a Half Men** **1.00 The Vampire Diaries** **1.50 Totally Bonkers** **Guinness World Records** **2.15 Teleshopping** **5.45 ITV2 Nightscreen**

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Movies Now **6.10 George and Mildred** **6.35 Heartbeat** **7.40 Murder, She Wrote** **8.35 Where the Heart Is** **9.35 Judge Judy** **10.55 A Touch of Frost** **1.00 Heartbeat** **2.00 Wycliffe** **3.10 Where the Heart Is** **4.15 On the Buses** **5.20 George and Mildred** **5.55 Heartbeat** **6.55 Murder, She Wrote** **8.00 Midsomer Murders: Ghosts of Christmas Past** **10.00 Law & Order: UK**

11.05 Cold Blood II **12.40 Wycliffe** **1.40 Where the Heart Is** **2.30 Teleshopping**

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7

7.00 Top Gear **8.00 Don't Tell the Bride** **10.00 EastEnders** **10.30 Russell Howard's Good News Extra** **11.15 Family Guy** **12.45 Don't Tell the Bride** **1.45 Reggie Yates's Extreme UK: Gay & Under Attack** **2.45 Sunny D** **3.00 Don't Tell the Bride** **4.00 Close**

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 World News Today; **Weather** **7.30 The Boats That Built Britain** **8.00 The Fisherman's Apprentice** with Monty Halls **9.00 Blood and Gold: The Making of Spain** with Simon Sebag Montefiore **10.00 Dan Cruickshank: Resurrecting History** – Warsaw **11.00 Building Burma's Death Railway**: Moving Half the Mountain **12.00 Britain's Outlaws**: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues **1.00 The Real Bonnie and Clyde** **2.00 The Fisherman's Apprentice** with Monty Halls **3.00 Blood and Gold: The Making of Spain** with Simon Sebag Montefiore **4.00 Close**

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

10.00 Building the Dream **11.05 FILM: Stagecoach** (1966) (PG) **1.25 Time Team** **3.35 Nazi Megastructures**

4.40 A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **5.45 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** **6.50 Building the Dream** **7.55 Grand Designs** **9.00 Building the Dream** **10.00 24 Hours in A&E** **11.10 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown**

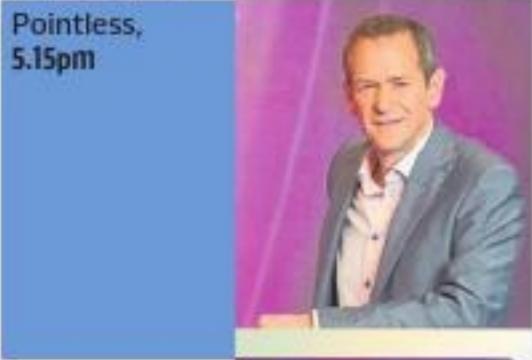
12.10 Ramsay's Hotel Hell **1.10 24 Hours in A&E** **2.15 Salvage SOS** **3.10 Gadget Man** **3.40 Close**

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Revenge **6.45 Charmed** **8.30 Hollyoaks** **9.00 Rules of Engagement** **10.00 Melissa & Joey** **11.00 Charmed** **1.00 How I Met Your Mother** **2.00 The Big Bang Theory** **3.00 Melissa & Joey** **4.00 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** **5.00 How I Met Your Mother** **6.00 The Big Bang Theory** **7.00 Hollyoaks** **7.30 A to Z** **8.00 The Big Bang Theory** **9.00 Empire** **10.00 Tripped** **10.50 The Big Bang Theory** **11.50 Gogglebox** **12.55 Rude Tube** **2.00 How I Met Your Mother** **2.45 Empire** **3.3**

Wednesday December 9th

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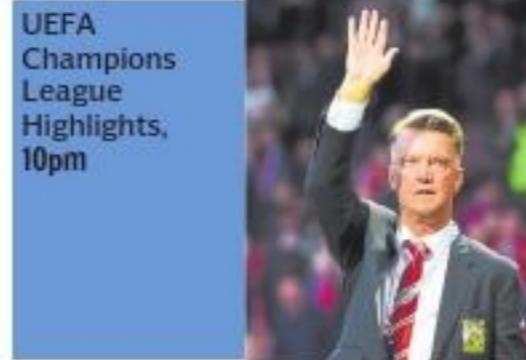
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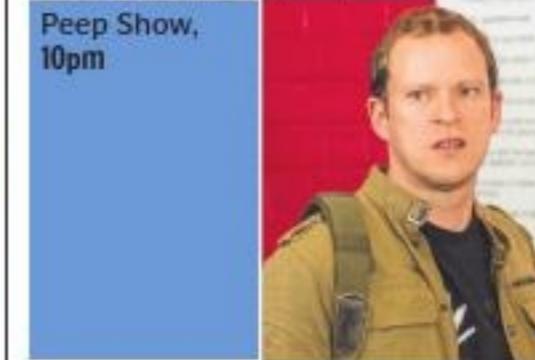
The Apprentice:
You're Fired,
10pm

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UEFA
Champions
League
Highlights,
10pm

Channel 4



Peep Show,
10pm

Channel 5



Suspects,
10pm

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6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.15 Sister Rita to the Rescue** (S) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **11.00 Oxford Street Revealed** (S) **11.45 Family Finders** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News at One; Weather** (S) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (S) **1.45 Doctors** (S) **2.15 The Doctor Blake Mysteries** (S) **3.10 Escape to the Country** (S) **3.40 James Martin – Home Comforts at Christmas** (S) **4.25 Flog It!** (S)(R) **5.15 Pointless** Quiz show, hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (S)(R) **6.00 BBC News at Six; Weather** (S) **6.30 BBC Regional News Programmes** (S)

7.00 The One Show Matt Baker and Alex Jones present the live magazine show featuring topical reports from around the UK and big-name studio guests; (S) BBC News; Regional News (S)

8.00 Cuffs Robert is unwittingly involved in the pursuit of a dangerous criminal gang, while Carl is given a insight into his boss's life when they investigate the disappearance of a teenager. (S)

9.00 The Apprentice At the London Aquatic Centre, the remaining candidates are given the task of creating and producing a new health food, before pitching it to three major retailers. (S)

10.00 BBC News at Ten (S) **10.25 BBC Regional News and Weather**; (S) National Lottery Update (S) **10.35 The Apprentice: The Final Five** Profiles of the remaining candidates. (S)

11.35 Film 2015 Reviews of By The Sea and the enduring appeal of Star Wars. (S)

12.05 Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **12.10 BBC News** (S)

7.00 Oxford Street Revealed (S)(R) **7.45 Flog It! Trade Secrets** (S) **8.15 Sign Zone: Simply Nigella** (S)(R) **8.45 Sign Zone: Terry and Mason's Great Food Trip** (S)(R) **9.15 Victoria Derbyshire** (S) **11.00 BBC News** (S) **11.30 Daily Politics** (S) **1.00 Cash In the Attic** (S)(R) **1.45 Pressure Pad** (S)(R) **2.30 The Great British Bake Off** (S)(R) **3.30 The Great Antiques Map of Britain** (S)(R) **4.00 The World's Most Photographed** (S)(R) **4.30 Wogan: The Best Of** (S)(R) **5.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **6.00 Eggheads** (S)(R) **6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two** (S)

7.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip Star of Midsomer Murders, Neil Dudgeon, and veteran actress Diana Rigg take on the antiques-hunting challenge, as they travel through Yorkshire in search of valuables. (S)(R)

8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals The ten remaining chefs are split into two groups, with the first group working as a team to prepare dinner for London's Law Society, as they compete for a place in the semi-final. (S)

9.00 The Secrets of the Mona Lisa Andrew Graham-Dixon explores major new findings about Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece, as centuries-old documents and the latest tools and techniques are used to reveal its secrets. (S)

10.00 The Apprentice: You're Fired Jack Dee interviews this week's freshly rejected candidate. (S) **10.30 Newsnight** (S)

11.10 Weather (S) **11.15 The Secret History of the British Garden** The extraordinary changes that occurred in the 19th century. (S)(R)

12.15 Sign Zone: Earth's Wildest Waters: The Big Fish (S)(R) **1.15 The Last Dukes** (S)(R) **2.15 This Is BBC Two** (S)

6.00 Good Morning Britain (S) **8.30 Lorraine** (S) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S) **10.30 This Morning** (S) **12.30 Loose Women** (S) **1.30 ITV Lunchtime News; Weather** (S) **1.55 ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) **2.00 Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (S) **3.00 1000 Heartbeats** Quiz show, hosted by Vernon Kay. (S) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (S) **4.00 Tipping Point** Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (S) **5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S) **6.00 ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) **6.30 ITV Evening News; Weather** (S)

7.00 Emmerdale Jai confronts Sam as the truth about Megan emerges. (S) **7.30 Coronation Street** Carla suspects that Rob has an agenda. (S)

8.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! Coming Out The campers are reunited with friends and family and spend a well-deserved night in luxury following their departure from the Australian jungle. Ant and Dec present. (S)

9.00 Prey New series. The thriller returns, this time following the story of a prison officer forced on the run with a prisoner when his daughter is kidnapped. Starring Philip Glenister. (S)

10.00 UEFA Champions League Highlights Mark Pougatch presents action from the sixth and final week of group-stage fixtures, including VfL Wolfsburg v Manchester United. (S)

11.00 ITV News; Weather (S) **11.30 ITV Regional News; Weather** (S) **11.45 UEFA Champions League: Extra Time** The rest of the action from the sixth week of group-stage fixtures. (S)

12.15 Jackpot247 **3.00 Ejector Seat** (S)(R) **3.50 ITV Nightscreen** **5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (S)(R)

6.00 Countdown (S)(R) **6.45 3rd Rock from the Sun** (S)(R) **7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **9.00 Frasier** (S)(R) **10.00 Undercover Boss USA** (S)(R) **11.00 Jamie's Comfort Food** (S)(R) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (S) **12.05 Come Dine with Me** (S)(R) **2.10 Deal or No Deal** Beat-the-banker game show. (S) **3.10 Countdown** (S) **4.00 Posh Pawnbrokers** London Road Pawnbrokers boss Dan looks at a diamond-encrusted watch. (S) **5.00 Couples Come Dine with Me** (S) **6.00 The Simpsons** (S) **6.30 Hollyoaks** Celine tries to get Pete to confess. (S)

7.00 Channel 4 News (S) **7.55 The Political Slot** With Helen Grant MP. (S)

8.00 The Supervet A Staffordshire bull terrier requires attention when he suffers complete paralysis in his back legs, while the owner of a Devon rex cat faces a tough decision. (S)

9.00 24 Hours in A&E A five-year-old is rushed into St George's struggling to breathe, while an 83-year-old man in a confused state arrives in A&E after falling over. (S)

10.00 Peep Show Jeremy seeks revenge on Super Hans. (S) **10.30 Toast of London** Steven takes part in a Royal Variety Performance. (S)

11.05 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special Jimmy Carr hosts a festive edition of the comedy panel quiz. (S)(R)

12.05 4Music: Best Before: Music on 4 (S) **12.35 Hunting the Paedophiles: Inside the National Crime Agency** (S)(R) **1.30 FILM Kingpin** (1996) (12) (S) **3.25 FILM Buchanan Rides Alone** (1958) (U) (S)

6.00 Milkshake! **9.15 The Wright Stuff** Topical talk show. **11.45 FILM Gifts for Christmas** (2010) (PG) Christmas drama, starring Marla Sokoloff and Mark Webber. (S) **1.30 5 News Lunchtime** (S) **1.35 Neighbours** Sonya witnesses Steph and Toadie's unbreakable bond. (S) **2.05 FILM The Case for Christmas** (2011) (PG) Festive comedy, starring Dean Cain. (S) **3.50 FILM Holiday Help** (2014) Premiere. Festive romantic drama, starring Alicia Witt. (S) **5.30 5 News at 5** **6.00 Neighbours** Sonya witnesses Steph and Toadie's unbreakable bond. (S)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (S)

7.00 Kids' Hospital at Christmas A 13-day-old baby undergoes surgery to remove a tumour from the base of his spine; (S)(R) **5 News Update** (S)

8.00 GPs: Behind Closed Doors An excited young couple seek confirmation from the doctor about their first-time pregnancy, while a woman expecting her fourth child is concerned about postnatal depression; (S) **5 News**

9.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away Paul and Phil expect a routine eviction, but get more than they bargained for, while Stewart and Victor hunt down £66,000 owed by a businessman. (S)

10.00 Suspects The detectives investigate the shooting of a clergyman in broad daylight, and suspicion falls on the reverend's son when they link him to the suspect in another recent incident. (S)

11.00 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit The team investigates a man preying on his biological daughters. (S)

11.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A gang is suspected of a series of sexual assaults. (S)

12.50 SuperCasino **3.10 Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Wild UK** (S)(R) **4.00 Wildlife SOS** (S)(R) **4.25 Divine Designs** (S)(R) **4.45 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5.10 House Doctor** (S)(R) **5.35 House Doctor** (S)(R)

ITV2 SKY: 11.8 FV: 6
6.10 **Totally Bonkers** Guinness World Records 6.35 **Psych** 7.20 **Emmerdale** 7.50 **Best of You've Been Framed** 8.45 **The Cube** 9.45 **Psych** 10.35 **FILM: Secret Santa** (2003) (PG) 12.25 **Emmerdale** 12.55 **You've Been Framed Extreme!** 1.55 **Catchphrase** 2.40 **The Jeremy Kyle Show** 6.00 **Judge Rinder** 7.00 **You've Been Framed!** 8.00 **Two and a Half Men** 9.00 **Through the Christmas Keyhole** 10.00 **Release the Hounds: Jingle Hell II** 11.00 **The Vampire Diaries** 12.00 **Two and a Half Men** 1.00 **Viral Tap** 1.40 **Totally Bonkers** Guinness World Records 2.05 **Rixton: The Hot Desk** 2.15 **Teleshopping** 5.45 **ITV2 Nightscreen**

ITV3 SKY: 11.9 FV: 10
6.00 **On the Buses** 6.25 **George and Mildred** 6.50 **Heartbeat** 7.50 **Murder, She Wrote** 8.45 **Where the Heart Is** 9.45 **Judge Judy** 11.05 **A Touch of Frost** 1.00 **Heartbeat** 2.05 **Wycliffe** 3.10 **Where the Heart Is** 4.15 **On the Buses** 5.20 **George and Mildred** 5.55 **Heartbeat** 7.00 **Murder, She Wrote** 8.00 **Long Lost Family** 9.00

BBC3 SKY: 11.9 FV: 7
7.00 **Top Gear** 8.00 **Don't Tell the Bride** 9.00 **Meth and Madness in Mexico**: Stacey Dooley Investigates 10.00 **Russell Howard's Good News** 10.30 **Josh** 11.00 **Family Guy** 11.45 **American Dad!** 12.10 **Family Guy** 12.30 **Josh** 1.00 **Russell Howard's Good News** 1.30 **Meth and Madness in Mexico**: Stacey Dooley Investigates 2.30 **Asian Provocateur** 3.30 **Josh** 4.00 **Close**

BBC4 SKY: 11.6 FV: 9
7.00 **World News Today**: Weather 7.30 **The Boats That Built Britain** 8.00 **The Mary Rose**: A Timewatch Guide 9.00 **FILM: Quartet** (2012) (12) 10.30 **What a Performance**: Pioneers of Popular Entertainment 11.30 **The Mary Rose**: A Timewatch Guide 12.30 **The Golden Age of Steam Railways** 1.30 **Building Burma's Death Railway**: Moving Half the Mountain 2.30 **Botany: A Blooming History** 3.30 **Close**

E4 SKY: 13.6 FV: 28
6.00 **Revenge** 6.45 **Charmed** 8.30 **Hollyoaks** 9.00 **Rules of Engagement** 10.00 **Melissa & Joey** 11.00 **Charmed** 1.00 **How I Met Your Mother** 2.00 **The Big Bang Theory** 3.00 **Melissa & Joey** 4.00 **Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** 5.00 **How I Met Your Mother** 6.00 **The Big Bang Theory** 7.00 **Hollyoaks** 7.35 **FILM: Twilight** (2008) (12) 10.00 **Supernatural** 11.00 **The Big Bang Theory** 12.00 **Gogglebox** 1.00 **Rude Tube** 2.05 **Supernatural** 2.50 **Rules of Engagement** 3.35 **Marvel's Agents of SHIELD** 4.20 **Revenge**

MORE4 SKY: 13.8 FV: 14
8.55 **Grand Designs** 10.00 **Building the Dream** 11.05 **Hugh's 3 Good Things: Best Bites** 11.20 **FILM: Heaven Knows, Mr Allison** (1957) (PG) 1.25 **Time Team** 3.35 **Secrets of the Terracotta Warriors** – Secret History 4.40 **A Place in the Sun: Home or Away** 5.45 **A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** 6.50 **Building the Dream** 7.55 **Grand Designs** 9.00 **Car SOS** 10.00 **Obsessive Compulsive Cleaners** 11.00 24 Hours in A&E 12.05 **Ramsay's Hotel Hell** 1.05 **Obsessive Compulsive Cleaners** 2.10 **Salvage SOS** 3.05 **Gadget Man** 3.35 **Close**

FILM4 SKY: 3.15 FV: 15
11.00 **The Truth about Spring** (1965) (U) 1.10 **The Black Dakotas** (1954) (U) 2.30 **Shane** (1953) (PG) 4.50 **The Sons of Katie Elder** (1965) (U) 7.15 **The Simpsons Movie** (2007) (PG) 9.00 **Broken City** (2013) (15) 11.10 **Escape from Alcatraz** (1979) (15) 1.25 **Wild Bill** (2011) (15) 3.45 **Close**

DAVE SKY: 1.11 FV: 12
7.20 **Storage Hunters** 8.10 **Ice Road Truckers** 9.00 **American Pickers** 10.00 **Storage Hunters** 11.00 **Top Gear** 1.00 **Storage Hunters</b**



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Laughing Master: Stephen K Amos

GET set to leave Didcot's Cornerstone Arts Centre with sore sides after a night of comedy by Stephen K Amos on Saturday, December 5.

The award-winning comic arrives on his 'Laughing Master' tour.

And as the name suggests, Stephen has one mission.

"Ultimately, my main focus is that they've got to laugh," he said.

"The people who come to my shows are, generally speaking, the converted, so there's no point in me just telling them about race and politics and getting all this applause, that's just pointless.

"So I'm giving them the jokes and getting it down to a very basic level.

"Think back to Martin Luther King and his great speech about having a dream: I've always thought how the world might be a different place if the night before that speech, he had eaten some cheese.

"So, it's all about keeping it up and down, making a point, but keeping the laughter flowing."

Stephen was on his way to becoming a barrister before one night in New York changed his life.

A young lady he had met suggested his quick wit should be heard by a packed

By James Richings

audience, rather than one or two.

Stephen's popularity grew, alongside his collection of comedy awards.

Now a familiar face in the comedy circuit here in the UK, Stephen is as busy off stage as he is on; working as a writer, presenter and actor as well as a comic.

"I've been doing this for a while now and I've got so many shows worth of material inside my head already that sometimes it's like a clown fight up there," he said.

"But every year I concentrate on one show and make sure I have it down before the premiere.

"I love doing a brand new show every year because it lets me travel all over the country and writing new material every year keeps those clowns busy.

"This job has enabled me to travel all over the world and for that I'm truly thankful."

Saturday's show will be the second time Stephen will have performed at the Cornerstone.

The show starts at 8pm and tickets cost £14.

It is suitable for over 18s.



• Stephen K Amos

Covers night

A COVERS band from Shipton-under-Wychwood will be performing at Burwell Hall in Witney on Saturday, December 5.

Band M is made of five musicians who will be playing well-known hits from the 60s to the 90s at the Thorney Leys venue at 6.30pm.

Tickets cost £15.

The Doors Alive

ONE of the UK's leading Doors tribute bands The Doors Alive will be at the O2 Academy in Oxford on Saturday, December 5.

They will be playing songs such as, 'Light My Fire', 'Break on Through' and 'The End' at the Cowley Road venue from 6pm.

Tickets cost £13.50.

Glitz Blitz 70s Hitz

THE 70s will be brought back at the New Theatre Oxford when 'Glitz Blitz 70s Hitz' arrives on Wednesday, December 9.

An audience at the George Street theatre will hear well-known hits from the decade, with the band Sweet making an appearance on their last ever UK tour.

Tickets cost from £26 to £32.90 and it starts at 7.30pm.

20th Lights of Love

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We would like to invite you to take part in our annual Lights of Love event. From Saturday, 12th December 2015, a Christmas Tree will glow with hundreds of tiny lights shining in memory of loved ones everywhere.

Messages will be attached to the lights, and the tree will be lit at a short service, and will shine all over the Christmas period. This year you can also add a message to our digital Lights of Love tree, on our website, where messages will shine as lights on the tree over Christmas.

If you would like to dedicate a light and take part in the Lights of Love appeal, please contact the Fundraising Office on 01865 857007 or mail@sobellhospice.org to request a pack, or visit our website www.sobellhouse.org

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Every Christmas, Sobell House Hospice has a giant Lights of Love Tree erected at the Churchill Hospital covered in lights in memory of loved ones who are no longer with us. This year, we will once again be holding a memorial service and lighting the tree, which will take place on Saturday 12th December at 3.30 pm. A short service will be held near to the tree and guests will have an opportunity to view the Books of Remembrance.

Hospice Fundraiser, Lindsay Manifold says 'This event is a major fundraiser for the Hospice, but it is also our opportunity to give some comfort to families who wish to remember a loved one over the Christmas period. We have many families who take part year after year, and we know it becomes part of their Christmas and helps them to feel they have kept their family members or friends in their thoughts'. Our supporter, Georgina said: 'Every year since my mother died I have come to the Lights of Love service. I love being here because I feel close to her and the service is simple and beautiful.'

There are usually over 1,000 messages on the tree, and the event last year raised over £26,000 to support the Hospice. The Lights of Love is open to everyone, not just for those who have lost someone at Sobell House, so anyone who wishes to take part, and have a light shining over the Christmas period, can contact the Sobell House Fundraising Office on 01865 857007 to find out more information, or visit our website www.sobellhouse.org



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So this is Christmas!

CHRISTMAS comes early to Oxford - with action packed family fun show 'So This is Christmas!' on Sunday, December 6.

Starring former Hollyoaks actress Gemma Merna and '90s pop star Kavana, the New Theatre show arrives in George Street venue as part of a one-month tour across the UK to get the country into the Christmas spirit by performing some of the most popular

By James Richings

Christmas songs of all time.

And that is something Gemma, who played Carmel Valentine on the popular soap, is looking forward to.

"Everyone on the night can expect lots of fun, great songs and a feel-good festive show that they can join in with and sing-along to," the 31-year-old told the Guardian.

"If I had to choose my favourite Christmas song, it would be 'Merry Christmas Everyone', which was the UK Christmas Number One in 1985 and was a monster hit for Shakin' Stevens.

"Everyone can join in and have fun with this show!"

After making her Hollyoaks debut in 2006, Gemma became a regular face on TV staying on the Chester-based soap for eight years, before leaving the programme last November.

Guest appearances on shows such as 'Splash!', 'Virtually Famous' and a celebrity version of 'The Chase' have been keeping the performer busy for the past 12 months.

Joining her on stage will be Kavana, who achieved eight top 40 hits from 1996 to 1999.

"After so many years in Hollyoaks, this show is taking me back to my roots on stage and I just love it," Gemma added.

"The biggest challenge has probably been me getting the whole show in my brain."

"One of the best things about performing live is hearing applause and laughter - you can't beat it."

"When you've worked in TV for many years it's great to perform to real people rather than a camera lens."

The show starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost from £18.90 to £31.40.



• Gemma Merna and Kavana



• Riff Raff (left to right) Steve Painter, Steve Laurie and Nick Bevan

Beware of the Riff Raff

THREE-PIECE covers group Riff Raff will deal out classic rock and funky pop when they perform in Witney's New Inn on Saturday, December 5.

Consisting of Steve Painter (guitar and vocals), Steve Laurie (drums and vocals) and Nick Bevan (bass and vocals), the three friends are known for performing a wide range of hits from artists that you wouldn't usually name in the same sentence.

Guitarist Steve believes that's part of the reason they've found fans across the south.

"We might start the night off with some Deep Purple, Toto and Queen, but by the end we'll have covered Michael Jackson, Chic and Go West. That's why a lot of people seem to like us," Steve told the Guardian.

"Also, we've all been playing and gigging since we were teenagers."

"And it's true that, whatever grabs you at that age, stays with you for a long time. The shows we give are a reflection of what we love to do. It's all about the music."

A regular name in pubs where the group is from in Newbury, the threesome is making their way across the south of England to tie in more music enthusiasts as an audience to their energetic shows.

"Some people think we're an AC/DC tribute band because of their song of the same name - we're not," Steve joked.

"We've chosen to label ourselves as the underclass, the dregs."

"It doesn't pay to get be too arrogant in this business."

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What's on | NEWS

Fotheringay folk is back

FOTHERINGAY will present a night of sophisticated folk music at Nettlebed Folk Club near Wallingford on Monday, December 7.

The group was originally set up by the late Sandy Denny in 1970, but Sandy, Trevor Lucas, Gerry Conway, Jerry Donahue and Pat Donaldson disbanded after a year when Sandy's solo career took off.

It gave a chance for each of them to enjoy success.

But in 2007, original member Jerry Donahue decided the time was right to revive Fotheringay and release new material.

In 2008 as the newly reformed band launched their first release in 38 years with an album called 'Fotheringay 2'.

"Everyone will be able to expect a wonderful revisit to a segment of Sandy Denny's music that's not been heard live for 45 years," Jerry told the Guardian.

"It feels good to know that we are playing music that our audiences enjoy and, of course, the enthusiastic responses we've been getting are most rewarding."

By James Richings

From the original line-up Jerry, Gerry and Pat are the only surviving members, with Kathryn Roberts (best known for working with folk musician Seth Lakeman) and PJ Wright adding in the extras as the new faces of the group stepping in for the late Sandy Denny and Trevor Lucas respectively.

And the current line-up has been bolstered with a sixth member in Sally Barker, who found fame by finishing joint second on TV talent show 'The Voice' last year.

She joined the group in the summer to form the Fotheringay set to take the stage in Nettlebed to kick-start next week.

The gig, in High Street, starts at 8pm and costs £20.

Jerry added: "When I came along to the first rehearsal at the start of 1970, I hadn't planned to join the group.

"I was already in a band I was very happy with but it took just one number (the very first one) to make me instantly change my mind."



• Fotheringay (from left) Jerry Donahue, Kathryn Roberts, Pat Donaldson, Sally Barker, PJ Wright and Gerry Conway

Rebel Without a Clue, the Jester's Tale

'Rebel Without a Clue, the Jester's Tale' by Roger Crawford, tells the story of how Roger became embroiled in the Family Court system in Oxford in a battle to see his only child, and lost, leading him to protest on various roofs and stand for election in 2010 with his trademark Court Jester outfit.

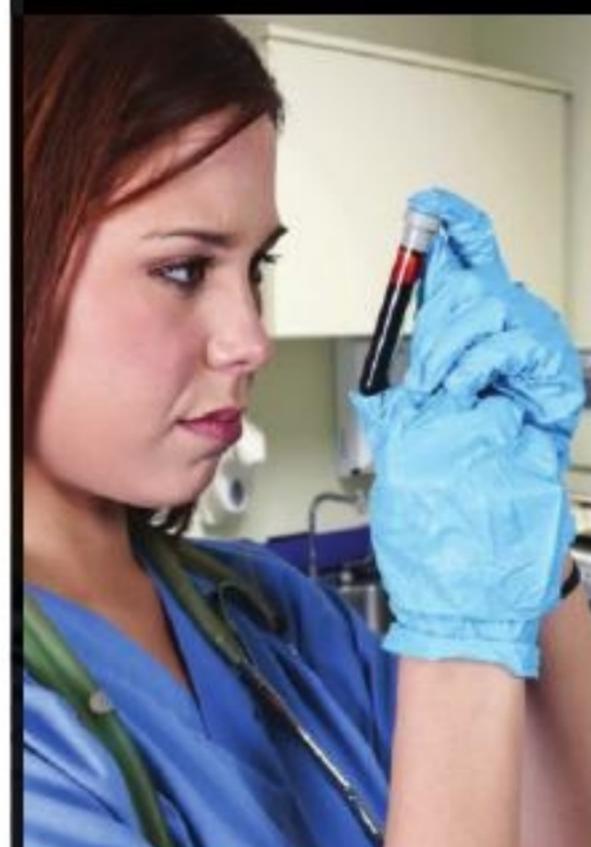
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Monday, December 7: Graham Carson from Inca and Ben Burrows from Holywell Press

Tuesday, December 8: Will Todd talks climate change

Wednesday, December 9: Miriam Payne - Nettlebed hospice

Talk Oxford, the interactive talk show, starts at 7pm.

Thursday is business night with Beverley, Monday it is all about food with Robin, Tuesday, Simon asks the bigger questions and Emma-Jane talks nutrition on Wednesdays.

That's Oxford TV what's on guide

Fri, Nov 27, 7.30pm
New Theatre, Oxford

GARETH MALONE

Following on from his hugely successful nationwide tour in 2014, Gareth is back with his second even bigger tour with his choir Voices, where you will be able to hear more angel-like tunes at the New Theatre. Thu,

Fri, Nov 27, 7.45pm
Old Fire Station, Oxford

HARDEEP SINGH KOHLI

When you've a mouth this big, is it any wonder you get into trouble? The comedian, broadcaster, journalist and chef explains all in a brand new show, on the back of its premiere at this year's Edinburgh Festival.

Fri, Nov 27, 8pm
The Mills Arts Centre, Banbury

MARTIN DANIELS

Following in his famous father's footsteps, Martin Daniels, son of magician Paul Daniels, brings his own magic to the stage in an enter-

taining show incorporating comedy and mind reading.

Fri, Nov 27, 10pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

GARAGE NATION

Brand new and old school garage tunes at the O2 in Oxford. This is for over 18's only finishes for 4am.

Sat, Nov 28, 6pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

ANTARCTIC MONKEYS

One of the UK's leading Arctic Monkeys tribute acts visits Oxford

Nov 26, 8pm
New Theatre, Oxford

AN EVENING WITH NOEL FIELDING

Fielding's comedy has seen him perform in venues all over the world (such as The Royal Albert Hall, The Sydney Opera House and Radio City Music Hall) win numerous awards (including Perrier Best Newcomer, The Barry Humphries Award at The Melbourne Comedy Festival and The Douglas Adams Award for

innovative writing) and appear on TV shows such as Michael McIntyre's Roadshow, Big Fat Quiz Of The Year and QI.

Fri, Nov 27 - Sun, Jan 10
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

ALADDIN

Can Aladdin become a Prince and marry Princess Rose? Would a Rose by any other name smell as sweet? Will the evil Abanazar be stopped or even seduced by Twinkie? And what will become of the Dog and that Duck...?

Fri, Nov 27, 9pm
The Anchor pub, Abingdon

MUDSLIDE MORRIS

Sat, Nov 28, 7.30pm
Fat L'il's, Witney

NINE BELOW ZERO

Nine Below Zero tour with the classic line-up of all four original band members; Dennis Greaves (guitar/vocals), Mark Feltham (harmonica), Mickey 'Stix' Burkey (drums) and Brian Bethell (bass). Mickey played live with the band for the first time since the 80s in November 2012 at the 30th Anniversary gig in Islington and now rejoins the band on permanent basis.

Sat,
Nov 28,
7.30pm
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BEYOND THE

BARRICADE

Starring Andy Reiss, David Fawcett, Katie Leeming and Rebecca Vere, together with their own ensemble of talented musicians, Beyond the Barricade features songs from The Phantom of the Opera, Jesus Christ Superstar, The Jersey Boys, The Lion King, Blood Brothers, Miss Saigon and many others, climaxing with a spectacular finale from, of course, Les Misérables.

Sun, Nov 29, 8pm
Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot

DISCO PIGS

Born seconds apart, Darren and Cinead, aka Pig and Runt, live in a fantasy world of their own in Cork City. Trash TV, Disco beats and cheap booze have fuelled this obsessive friendship. But as they go for their 17th birthday binges, reality violently collides with their fantasy and their world begins to crumble. Written by Enda Walsh, award winning writer of The Walworth Farce, The New Electric Ballroom, Penelope and Camera d'Or winning screenplay Hunger, Disco Pigs is a furious, funny and violent dash through a friendship too close to survive.

Sun, Nov 29, 7pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

MODESTEPS

The British electro-rock quartet tour their second album 'London Road', that's back to their hometown roots, with a fusion of electronic, bass-heavy, guitar-laden sounds.

Sun, Nov 29, 7.30pm
New Theatre, Oxford

THE CARPENTERS STORY

The Carpenters Story brings the show bang up to date with Phil's lavish arrangements, stunning vocal harmonies and Claire Furley's uncanny representation of Karen Carpenter which combine to bring back memories of pop's most melodic duo.

Sun, Nov 29, 2pm
Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot

UP IN THE ATTIC

The children work together to unravel a mystery. On route they meet a wolf, a crab, a whale and a goose - and when they finally open the dusty suitcase in the far corner of the attic, they realise that there really is no need to be frightened of the dark ever again.

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Beloved Orange County, CA rockers bring their crazy touring antics back

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New Theatre, Oxford

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Thu, Dec 3, 8pm
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Sat, Dec 5, 11am
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An illustrated multimedia introduction by artist, critic and curator Clare Carswell MA (RCA), to the art of Chinese dissident artist, Ai Weiwei. The talk looks at work from his major London exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts examining the way in which his art has been shaped by his life and political beliefs, how he uses social media to communicate with a global audience, and how this strategy has led to him becoming a global phenomenon.

Sat, Dec 5, 8pm
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Sun, Dec 6, 5pm
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Sun, December 6, 7.30pm
New Theatre, Oxford

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Sun, Dec 6, 6.30pm
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This acclaimed re-imagining of Brontë's masterpiece was first staged by Bristol Old Vic last year, when the story was performed over two evenings. Director Sally Cookson now brings her celebrated production to the National, presented as a single, exhilarating performance.

Sunday, December 6, 8pm
The Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot

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Wed, Dec 9, 7.30pm
New Theatre, Oxford

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Sweet are a rock music phenomena, the quintessential glam rockers who have spent over three years in the UK charts, sold over 55 million records and have had 34 number 1 hits including their hit 'Blockbuster', still playing to sell out audiences around the world.

Wednesday, December 9, 7.30pm

The Theatre, Chipping Norton

THE SECOND MOTHER

Val spends 13 years working as a nanny in São Paulo. She is financially stable but has to live with the guilt of having left her daughter Jessica in the north of Brazil to be raised by relatives. As college entrance exams roll around, Jessica wants to come to São Paulo to take her exams, but they soon realize it's not so easy to live together again as they hoped. Savvy, fiercely funny and fast-paced, this is a great and expressive film on class, family and the way world politics impacts on individuals.

Thursday, December 10, 2pm
The Theatre, Chipping Norton

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Thu, Dec 10 – Sun, Jan 3
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

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Fri, December 11, 8pm
New Theatre, Oxford

FRANKIE BOYLE

Frankie has written this new set, not to tour, but as a response to Kendrick Lamar's last album. After these stand-up performances the ball will very much be in Kendrick's court. Come witness this harrowing on-stage breakdown.

Fri, Dec 11, 7pm
Mill Arts Centre, Banbury

BEATNICK BOULEVARD

Beatnik Boulevard is Banbury's monthly night of top spoken word and poetry talent. Featuring big

name guests & rising stars joining compère Bob Hill and local poetry talent in the open-mic slot.

Fri, Dec 11, 9pm
The Bay Tree, Grove

VINYL VANDALS

A tight 5-piece live pop and rock covers band with a difference! A drum, guitar, bass, vocal and keyboards line-up featuring harmony backing vocals. Doing diverse 80's, 70's & 80's Pop and Rock songs (often unexpected ones, and avoiding the usual pub-rock staple cliché!).

Sat, Dec 12, 7.30pm
Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot

OXFORD GOSPEL CHOIR

Oxford Gospel Choir, a vibrant local choir, is delighted to be returning to the Cornerstone after two previous sell-out visits. Expect the usual mix of traditional and contemporary gospel sprinkled with pop – all with a Christmas twist and guaranteed to get your toes tapping, your hands clapping and your heart singing. A great start to the Christmas festivities!

Sat, Dec 12, 6.30pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

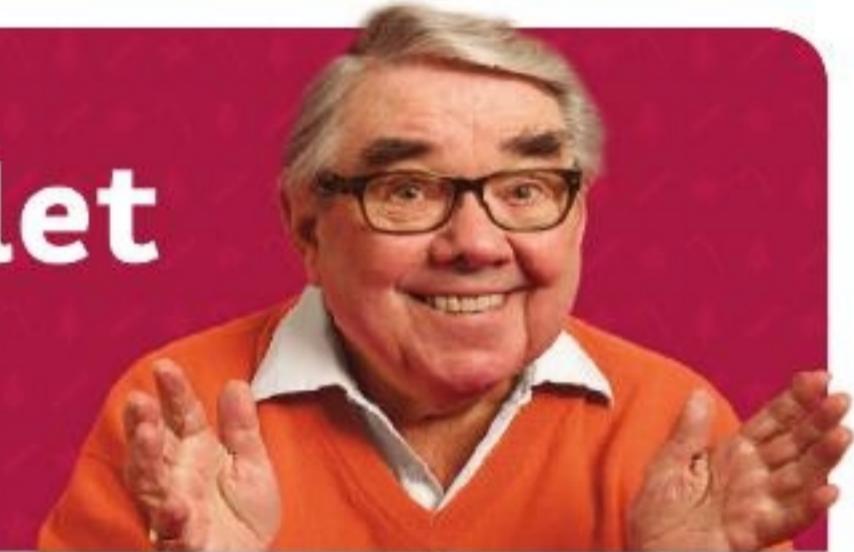
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A truly unmissable show for any Foo Fighters fan as their 'Sonic Highways' tour continues. Piling through hit after hit such as 'Everlong' and 'Best of You', alongside brand new material from the Foo Fighters' new album, 'Sonic Highways'.

Sat, Dec 12, 8pm
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Oxford is the final destination for Chad Valley as his UK tour comes to an end on December 12. Joining the musician will be Ode Park, Maians, Esther Joy Lane

Sat, Dec 12, 8.30pm
The Head of the River, Oxford

MURPHY JAMES

A singer-songwriter, expect tracks off his debut album, 'A Life Led by Snakes & Ladders' on December 12.

Sun, Dec 13 – Mon, Dec 14

The Theatre, Chipping Norton

SUFFREGETTE

Carey Mulligan, Helena Bonham Carter, and Meryl Streep star in this powerful drama about the women who were willing to lose everything in their fight for equality in early-20th-century Britain. Suffragette is a moving drama exploring the passion and heartbreak of those who risked all they had for women's right to vote - their jobs, their homes, their children, and even their lives.

Tue, Dec 15, 7pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

JAWS

The newly slimmed-down three-piece play an intimate run of shows this winter playing material old and new.

Tue, Dec 15, 7.45pm

The Theatre, Chipping Norton

JEREMY HARDY

Jeremy Hardy begins his 4th

decade as a stand-up this year. That's a more dramatic way of saying he started 31 years ago and, without a lottery win, probably has at least another 31 years to go. Last year, the tenth series of Jeremy Hardy Speaks to the Nation was broadcast on Radio 4. He is also well known for his appearances on The News Quiz and I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue. Indeed, Alan Bennett recently said he likes him "but he's only on the radio".

Fri, Dec 18, 7.30pm
The Beacon, Wantage

PURPLE CACTUS CHRISTMAS COMEDY CLUB

Our popular comedy night is back for a Christmas Comedy Special, then hit the dance floor at the disco! Perfect for an alternative Christmas Party! FREE bottle of Bubbly when you book 8 or more tickets.

Fri, Dec 18, 9pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

CRAIG CHARLES FUNK & SOUL CLUB

Legendary actor, host and BBC 6 Music broadcaster, Craig Charles, packs up his trunk of funk and hits the ones and twos with the very best funk and soul grooves.

Fri, Dec 18, 8pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

RABBIT FOOT SPASM BAND KNEES UP 2015

Now an Oxford institution, expect music, mayhem and mirth from these vintage trouble makers. They're throwing a Dickensian Christmas party, so beware the ghost of Christmas past. Dickensian fancy dress optional.

Sat, Dec 19, 11pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

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Sat, Dec 19, 10.30am
New Theatre, Oxford

NEW THEATRE BACK-STAGE TOUR

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Sat, Dec 19, 6.30pm
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THE DARKNESS: BLAST OF OUR KIND 2015 TOUR

The Blast of Our Kind tour is a

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Sat, Dec 19, 8.30pm
The Glee Club, Oxford

COMEDY NIGHT

Jared Christmas Tom Wriggleworth and Kevin McCarthy will bring final comedies to visit The Glee Club before Christmas. We combine all of our experience and talent to create the complete Christmas night out for you.

Sat, Dec 19 – Thu, Dec 24
Cornerstone Arts Centre, Didcot

THE SNOW DRAGON

The Cornerstone are excited to announce their Christmas show for 2015 will be Tall Stories' magical tale, *The Snow Dragon*. Billy is a spoilt young goat whose parents give him everything he wants. The night the legendary Snow Dragon is meant to bring more goodies, Billy bumps into a pack of hungry wolves in the forest. How will he escape and has he been naughty or nice?

Sun, Dec 20, 7.30pm
Chipping Norton Theatre, Chipping Norton

PAN

The story of an orphan who is spirited away to the magical Neverland. There, he finds both fun and dangers, and ultimately discovers his destiny -- to become the hero who will be forever known as Peter Pan. Flying galleons, and adventures galore star alongside Hugh Jackman (*Les Misérables*) and Rooney Mara (*Girl with the Dragon Tattoo*, *The Social Network*).

Sun, Dec 20, 8.30pm
The Dolphin, Wallingford

HIPPY HAZE

The Tribute Band to the Flower-Power Hippy era (1966 to 1969). You can expect to hear great music from bands and musicians such as The Kinks, The Rolling Stones, Bob Dylan, The Monkees, Jimi Hendrix and many more.

Sun, Dec 20, 6.30pm
Oxford Wine Café, Oxford

LIZZIE NEWBURY QUARTET

To finish off the year in style the Oxford Wine Café decided to bring back one of their favourite musicians in Lizzie Newbury with her quartet. Expect to hear original tracks and festive tunes in the form of jazz.

Wed, Dec 23, 2pm and 7pm
The Beacon, Wantage

JACK AND THE BEANSTALK

Magic beans, a journey to an enchanted kingdom in the clouds, an evil giant, and some musical mayhem, Jack and the Beanstalk has all the ingredients of a classic pantomime.

Thu, Dec 31, 10pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

SWITCH NYE 2015/16 FT. SHY FX

2015 has been another huge one for SWITCH, and they'll be rounding it off with an unmissable New Year's Eve party, featuring another of their most popular headline acts, the mighty Shy FX and many more.

Sat, Jan 9, 8pm
O2 Academy, Oxford

QUADROPHENIA NIGHT

A club night dedicated to the iconic movie, don't miss live bands, live music from The Atlantics plus Drew Stancell, ex-Saxophonist from The Specials/Prince Buster spinning the best in ska, two-tone, 60s, soul and mod!

Mon, Jan 11, 7.30pm
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

SUNPOTS

Suncups is a poetic, musical, and visual journey from the birth of the Sun, through its long and eventful life, towards its ultimate death. Is the Sun a god, a man, a woman, or simply a giant ball of hydrogen? Why does it tell fibs about its favourite painters? Is the Sun afraid of dying? Does it get depressed? And what does it really think about us?

Simon Barraclough (poet in residence, Mullard Space Science Laboratory) is your guide on a journey that mixes fact, fiction, horror, humour and joy into an exciting and moving experience getting to know our friendly neighbourhood star.

Tue, Jan 12 – Wed, Jan 13
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

ROVE

This new show from J. Ferguson Evans (*My Heart is Hitchhiking Down Peachtree Street*) and Rhiannon Armstrong is for anyone who has ever tried to untangle a family anecdote, or wished they knew more about where they came from.

Tue, Jan 12 – Sat, Jan 16
New Theatre, Oxford

GANGSTA GRANNY

The world premiere of David Williams' Gangsta Granny is coming to the stage in a national tour starting this winter and running throughout 2016. It is being staged by the Birmingham Stage Company, the acclaimed producers of Horrible Histories. It's Friday night and Ben knows that means only one thing - staying with Granny! There will be cabbage soup, cabbage pie and cabbage cake and Ben knows one thing for sure - it's going to be ccccccccccc boring! But what Ben doesn't know is that Granny has a secret - and Friday nights are about to get more

exciting than he could possibly imagine, as he embarks on the adventure of a lifetime with his very own Gangsta Granny!

Thu, Jan 14 – Fri Jan 15
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

LEARNING HOW TO DIE

Learning How To Die asks what scares us about dying, and how can we use that fear to drive our living actions. Can we find new ways to talk about death? It won't make it any less painful but it might make things easier.

This is a show about death. But don't let that put you off, it's not about being sad. Or about grief. Or pity. This is a show about how an acceptance of mortality can drive a passion for life.

Tue, Jan 14, 7.30pm
The Theatre, Chipping Norton

HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD

In 1971, a group of friends sail into a nuclear test zone, and their protest captures the world's imagination. Using never before seen archive that brings their extraordinary world to life, How To Change The World is the story of the pioneers who founded Greenpeace and defined the modern green movement.

Fri, Jan 15, 8pm
Oxford Playhouse, Oxford

STEWART LEE

Back by popular demand, Stewart Lee returns to Oxford following previous sell-out visits with fresh material in preparation for his next BBC2 series of Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle. A BAFTA and Comedy Award-winning comedian and writer, in this hilarious show Stewart is on spectacularly funny form as he deftly tries out his brand new material. See it live now weeks ahead of transmission.

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THE new Vauxhall Astra made a bold statement by winning the Scottish Car of the Year Award on Friday.

It triumphed in three different categories: Family Car of the Year, Eco Car of the Year and overall Car of the Year.

The award was presented by the Association of Scottish Motoring Writers at the Marriott Dalmahoy Hotel in Edinburgh.

President of the Association of Scottish Motoring Writers, Alasdair Suttie, said: "2015 has been an amazing year for new cars which made the judges' decisions harder than ever, so credit to Vauxhall that it's new Astra won out."

"The Astra sets new standards with the way it drives, its efficiency and the quality of its construction and materials and not only is it a pleasure to drive, it's also a resounding endorsement of British workmanship."

The award ceremony was also a memorable night for Mazda.

The Japanese manufacturer also won a hat-trick of awards with the Mazda2 Supermini, MX-5 Drop Top and the CX-3 Crossover all winning their respective awards.

By James Richings

And Land Rover's new Ingenium engine helped the Land Rover Discovery Sport win the Diesel title.

It was also a good day for Jaguar - Land Rover's sister company - as the new XE saloon fought off fierce competition to win the Executive Car category.

Last year's overall winner Hyundai was back on stage in the Design and Innovation Award for its ix35 Hydrogen fuel cell car, while Volvo showed its prowess in the SUV category won by its XC90.

At the other end of the size scale, Audi TT's sleek design helped the car reach the top spot in the Coupé category.

While Honda Civic Type R impressed judges to win the Hot Hatch section of the awards.

The President's Award celebrating exceptional contributions in the car world went to Gordon and Jillian Shedden.

The couple, including 2015 British Touring Car Champion Gordon, have been recognised following their support to promote motorsport in Scotland.



* Association of Scottish Motoring Writers president Alasdair Suttie (right) presents the 2015 Scottish Car of the Year award to Vauxhall's retail sales director Leon Caruso

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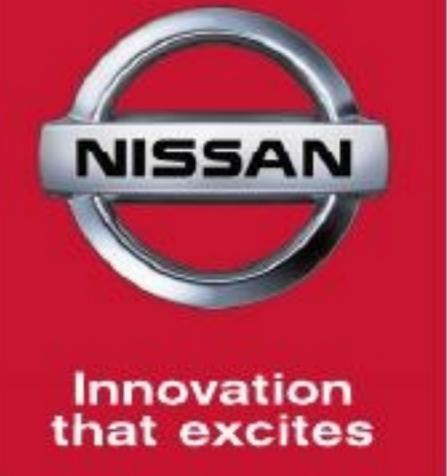
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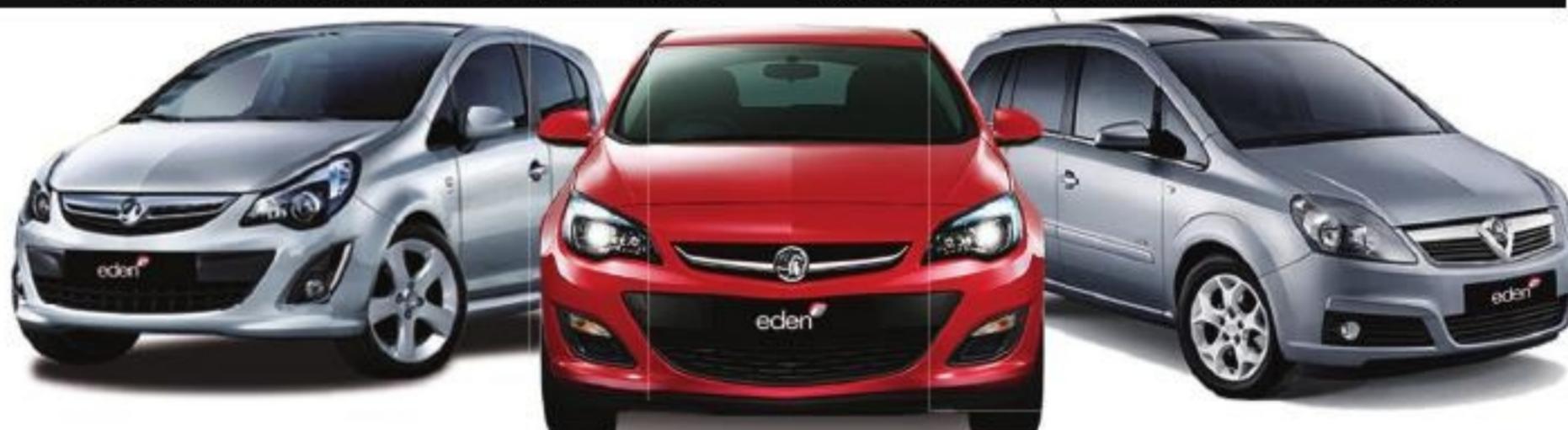
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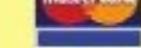


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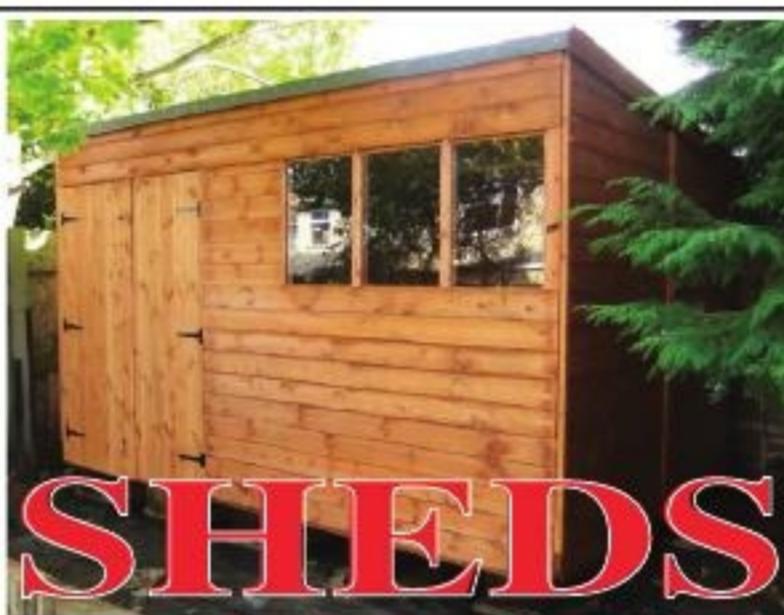
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Oxford United to be top of table at Christmas?

COMMENT: There is an aura of destiny about Oxford United this season.

The club have somehow dragged themselves from a mid-table side that were unerringly close to the relegation zone last season to a side that could top the table at Christmas.

Michael Appleton took the reins last July and a year and a half later, the situation could not be more different.

When the former-Preston midfielder took over from Gary Waddock, United began last season with four consecutive defeats.

It's a different outlook this season all together with the club only losing twice in 32 games in a run that stretches back to the end of last season.

There's vibrancy with the player's movement and a dialogue with how the U's move the ball that reeks of confidence.

Whether it's Appleton firing the boys up in the changing rooms and on the training pitch or if the confidence is naturally growing as the season goes on, there is a tangible sense of hope amongst United fans.

By **Loughlan Campbell**

The stands are electric at times and whenever Kemar Roofe, Callum O'Dowda or Danny Hylton gets on the ball, an aura of expectancy dazes over the Grenoble Road crowd.

They want goals and Oxford have delivered in spades so far this season scoring 31 goals, with Kemar Roofe and Liam Sercombe becoming linchpins in the side, scoring eight and seven goals apiece.

Up front, it hasn't been as prolific, but Patrick Hoban has slowly weaved his way into form with a couple of goals and winger Alex MacDonald continues to be a rampant menace to defenders down the wing.

The only thing that will worry United fans is the depth of the squad.

Can this team hold on until May and go without any injuries to its key players will be the defining question of Appleton's second season in charge.

With Jake Wright expected to be back in the squad for Forest Green Rovers in the FA Cup Second Round tie, United's

defence will have some toughening up, but its fragility has to be rectified by Appleton in January for it to no longer remain a concern for Appleton and for the fans.

Forest Green are an ambi-

tious side that are pushing to get back into the Football League at the top of the National Conference.

Any slip-up's would be sure to cut at the pride of the pumped up Yellows, however, just one more

win for the U's and they could have a big Premier League side heading out on to the Kassam Stadium pitch in the New Year, which would give United fans maybe one more reason to have something to shout about.



• Oxford United's Alex MacDonald, Patrick Hoban and Kemar Roofe (picture by Steve Daniels)

Millers suffer title blow in another defeat for Gee's side

NORTH Leigh fell to fifth in the table following their 2-1 defeat to promotion challengers Evesham United at Eynsham Park on Saturday.

The result means it's four games without a win for the Millers who have now lost two games on the spin.

Evesham started well and James Foster had to make a brilliant save from Clayton Green in the first few minutes.

Adam Mann then went narrowly close for United with the Millers really struggling to get back into the game.

The opener came on 10 minutes after Lance Smith headed past Foster from a corner.

Leigh were then fortunate with their goal, which came on 17 minutes after Morgan Williams' shot was deflected off skipper Matt Sysum's foot and it trickled into the net.

Elliot Osborn-Ricketts was then subbed off for Jon Else at half time and Evesham responded with grabbing their second goal on the hour mark.

Lance Smith played the ball into Mann on the right edge of the box, who hit his shot from 8 yards past Foster.

Leigh battled to find themselves a way back into the game but had to settle for the defeat as they strive to rectify their alarming slip in form.



• North Leigh's Elliot Osborne-Ricketts (picture by Andy Fitzpatrick)

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Richmond test Blues ahead of varsity game

AHEAD of Oxford University RFC's varsity game against Cambridge next Thursday they failed to beat a strong Richmond side at Iffley Road on Sunday.

Richmond were first over the line after just three minutes with Jamie Thompson crashing over after a sustained period of pressure on the Oxford backs.

Full-back Tom Platt hit the post with the conversion before Oxford hit back straight away after a chip from George Cullen that he managed to chase down.

He failed his conversion and 15 minutes later, Thompson grabbed his second of the afternoon for Richmond.

Platt added the extras and was then instrumental in the third try as he charged down a clearing kick and Jamie Gibbs pounced on to score out wide.

After the interval, Thompson completed his hattrick from another catch and drive but Platt couldn't convert.

Oxford then hit two tries in the final quarter with Jacob Goss going over and then Basil Strang crossed over for the Blues and added the extras himself.

The Blues are set to face Cambridge at Twickenham on December 10.

Hylton the man as United climb to top

DANNY Hylton's second half goal sent Oxford United top of League Two on Saturday in an enticing tussle at Hartlepool United.

The entertaining encounter was fast and furious in the first half with debutant Chris Maguire making an impression for the U's.

The 25-year-old on loan Rotherham forward had a shot from 25 yards deflected wide and was a constant threat to Hartlepool's defence throughout the afternoon.

The home side's Nicky Featherstone thumped wide of Benji Buchel, who continued his stint in goal, on 16 minutes before Jake Gray fired wide of the bar shortly afterwards.

Alex MacDonald drilled a shot low into the side netting a minute later and Liam Sercombe nearly gave United the lead after he barged into the box and got a foot to Patrick Hoban's effort.

Buchel then had to dive down deep to prevent a Rhys Oates header from sneaking into the net for a goalless score at the interval.

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Maguire then tested Trevor Carson early on in the second half with a thumping effort before Hartlepool's Mikael Mandron was denied after Buchel rushed out to block the effort away.

United then roared into life with Hoban dragging an effort wide of the right hand post on 65 minutes before MacDonald fired a free kick at the wall on 68 minutes.

Just two minutes later, Hylton got the ball in the net after the U's countered from a Hartlepool corner and MacDonald clipped the ball in to Hylton who had come on for Maguire to plant the ball past Carson.

Liam Sercombe then went close on with ten minutes remaining as Carson managed to get hands to the effort to turn it around the post.

In the end United managed to hold on to lift themselves top of the table for the first time this season, five points clear of the play-off places, with the U's on 40 points.



City survive FA Trophy scare

A BRACE from Marlon Jackson helped Oxford City come from behind to beat Marlow 6-3 in the third qualifying round of the FA Trophy on Saturday.

Marlow, of the Southern League Division One South and West were fired up for the clash and twice took the lead in the contest.

Marcus Mealing stunned the home support on three minutes after he put the away side in front before Bradley Bubb equalised on 19 minutes with a 30-yard effort.

City then moved to cool fans' fears with Reece Fleet grabbing on to a Luke Coulson cross to give them the lead.

However, Marlow soon struck back when Jordace Holder-Spooner equalised just before half-time.

The visitors then went in front for the second time with Mealing slotting in his second of the day past Laurie Walker.

Jackson was then brought on and Kynan Isaac's long-range effort then levelled up the score on the hour mark.

Following their equaliser, the Blues took control of the game and Jackson made it 4-3 four minutes later, with Bubb adding a fifth on 76 minutes.

Six minutes from time saw Oxford polish the game off as Jackson slotted in to wrap up the scoring for the afternoon.



Golden boy Felix takes home nine medals

ABINGDON Vale Swimming Club (AVSC) have plenty to be proud of after a strong showing at the Aquae Sulis Grand Prix in Bristol on November 21 and 22, with 10-year-old Felix Sissins-Roffey scooping nine gold medals.

The grand prix held in Hen-grove Park pool saw 22 swimmers from the Abingdon club compete with national qualifying times from two swimmers to complement Sissins-Roffey's wins.

Sissins-Roffey also cemented his position as second fastest 10-year-old in Britain this year

after swimming the 50metre Freestyle in 29.79 seconds.

The time also saw him placed as 6th fastest of all time for his age.

The future is bright for the young star who currently holds club records in all 12 events he has competed in for the 10 and under age group.

Yasmin Tajalli, 14, qualified for the 50m Freestyle with a time of 27.20 seconds and setting an AVSC club record.

Will DeVetta, 15, set his own club record in the 50m Fly with a time of 27.11 seconds, achieving a national qualifying time.

Didcot coach picks up prestigious award

DIDCOT Netball Club's coach Julie McDermaid picked up the award for 'Coach of the Year' at the 10th Oxfordshire Sports Awards on Thursday.

Julie was nominated by fellow players and friends at the club in which she has guided one of the club's adult teams to a promotion this season in the Oxfordshire Netball League.

In addition to training three adult teams and four junior teams, Julie also helps out with primary school netball teams in after school classes.

She is responsible for the coaching and training of 30 netballers who play at the club.

Her friend, Mandy Blair, said: "Julie's passion and commitment to the club has been second to none. She has been an inspiration to many and is a major contributor to the success of the club."

"She has a great relationship with every member of the club and pushes us hard, ensuring we have a lot fun along the way."

Julie previously won the Grassroots Coach Award in the Netball South Regional Golden Globe Awards of 2015.

The Oxfordshire Sports Awards is an annual event

by Oxfordshire Sport & Physical Activity and this year's event was held at the Kassam Stadium in Grenoble Road.

• Julie McDermaid of Didcot Netball Club (photo by Lucy Ford)



Sport Bites

Late goal defeat

HOCKEY: Oxford Hockey Club's ladies 1st team were defeated 2-1 by Brighton in a close contest in which they conceded through a last-minute penalty corner.

The 2nd team were on form with the squad beating Sonning 1-0 in a difficult game with Meg Scott grabbing the goal.

Meanwhile, the men's 1st team were unable to handle Wycombe who won the contest 3-0.

Non-league round-up

FOOTBALL: Kidlington were unluckily defeated 4-3 at home by Flackwell Heath in the third round of the Perpetua Press Floodlit Cup 3rd round on Tuesday.

In the Hellenic League Premier, Ardley United were defeated 1-0 at Ascot United.

However, Milton United ran riot at the Heights in a 5-0 win over basement boys Wokingham & Emmbrook on Saturday.

Double drubbings

ICE HOCKEY: Oxford City Stars were comprehensively dismantled over the weekend in two drubbings in the NIHL South Division 1.

First up on Saturday, they were defeated 7-4 by the London Raiders in a trip down to London.

A day later, they entertained Streatham Redskins at Oxpens

Second win for Wantage boss

IT was two wins in two for Stuart Cattell's Wantage Town side after they held on to beat Slimbridge 2-1 on Saturday.

In wintry conditions, the two sides faced off and Cattell's side got off to the best possible start with star forward Ben Whitehead striking the ball home from outside the box on two minutes.

The Swans looked to hit back and could have found an equaliser with four attempts blasted at the Freds' goal in the space of 15 minutes.

The woodwork was struck twice in that period before both teams just looked to keep hold of the ball.

The second goal for the Freds came in miraculous circumstances as Whitehead's corner was guided into the far corner of the net.

The conditions became tricky and although Wantage had a fair share of luck in the scoring of their second goal, they had no luck towards the end of the second half as the Swans grabbed a penalty in the 89th minute.

The ball sailed into the net but Wantage managed to hold on to secure their second consecutive win.

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United thwarted in their test against fiery Highworth Town

Injuries blunt U's progress

AN injury crisis condemned Abingdon United to a third successive defeat as they were well-beaten 4-0 at high-flying Highworth Town on Saturday.

United manager Steve Alman had five players ruled out on the morning of the contest as both sides fought to fight off a powerful wind making proceedings very tricky to play football in.

The tussle started off very much in the home side's favour as they began to run rampant around the United defence and should have been in front after six minutes when Nathan Blackford was denied by Tom Plumridge from close quarters.

It was just four minutes later that the first goal went in as a

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wind-assisted clearance was allowed to bounce just outside the penalty area and Brad Clark lobbed Plumridge.

Abingdon sought to create some of their own attacks in the first half and Jamie Davies has a shot well saved by Kurtis Sharkey following a strong piece of play.

Five minutes later, a cross from the right wing into George Reid saw the United star shoot just wide of the mark.

Callum Parsons then placed a shot past the post after a cutting pass by Aaron Maximus for Highworth.

The game was then put to bed just after the hour mark with an unmarked Dan Drewett able to blast home from close range.

With 15 minutes left to play, a ball into Abingdon's box fell to Parsons who was then upended with Bohane stepping up to make it four in a result that never looked like a game that United could get back into.



• Abingdon's George Reid fights off a Highworth defender (picture by Chris Janes)

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